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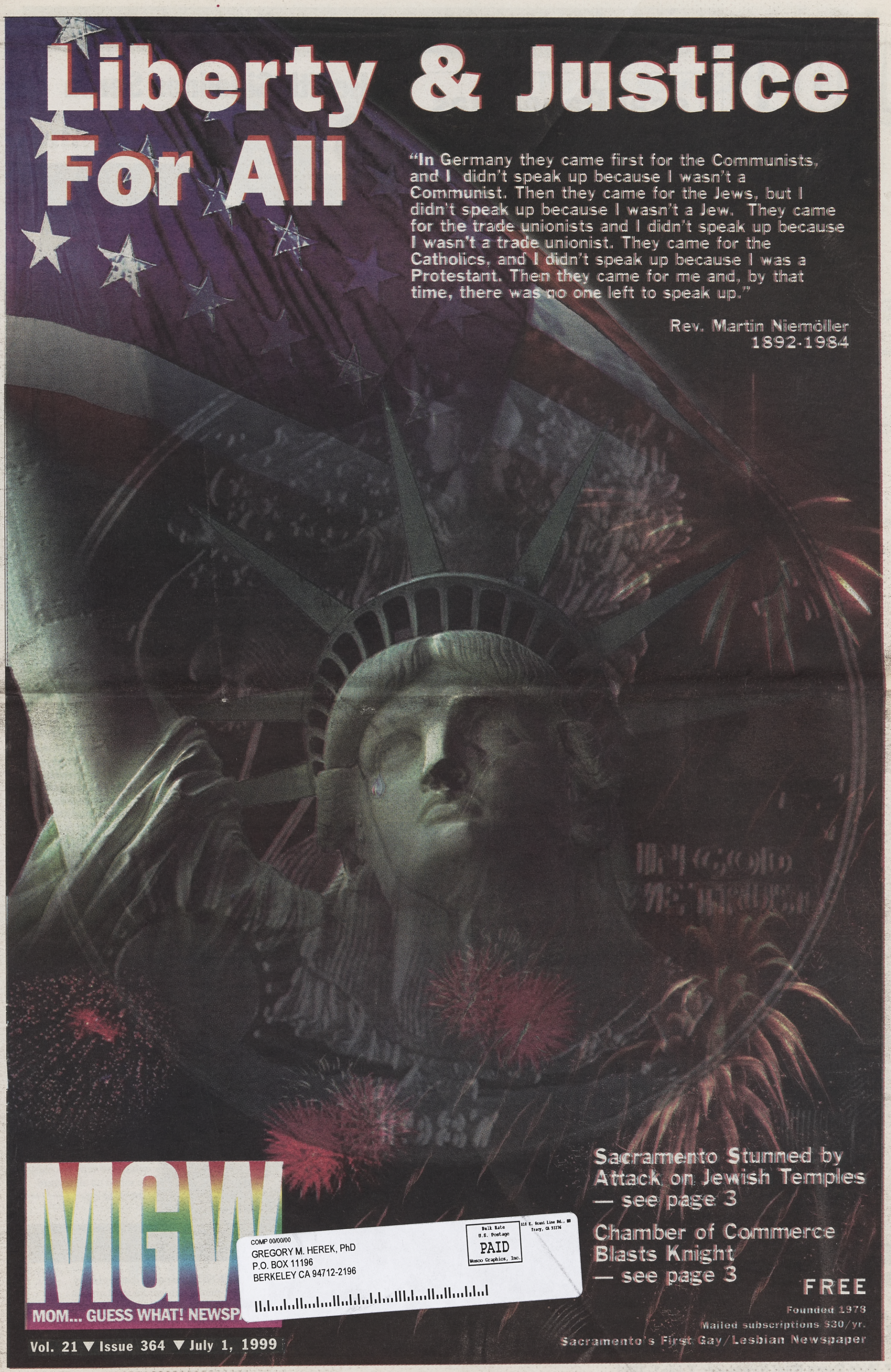

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Local Paper Has Egg on the Face

Sacramento was briefly abuzz with rumors MGW Newspaper had been sold, rumors that flowed from a story in *Outword,* a Sacramento tabloid magazine. But when the truth surfaced, as truth has a way of doing, it turned out **MGW has not been sold,** advertising rates have not been changed, and publisher Linda Birner is at her desk as always.

The story was apparently based on gossip leaked from discussions currently underway which may lead to Associate Publisher Lee Nichols and Chris Rizo of Amicus Publishing, playing a larger role in operations of the paper. "When we have something concrete to report," Birner said, "you'll read about it first in MGW."

"The Bible contains six admonishments to homosexuals and 362 admonishments to heterosexuals. That doesn't mean that God doesn't love heterosexuals. It's just that they need more supervision."

- Lynn Lavner, Comedian

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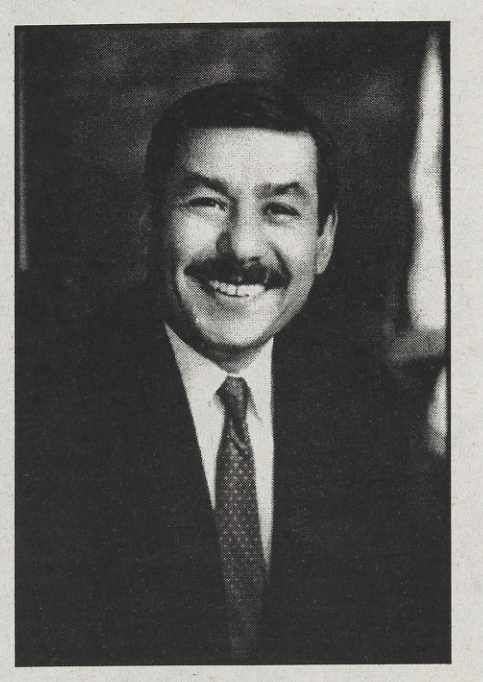
Health Sidelines Serna

Sacramento Mayor Joe Serna surprised friends and political foes alike with his announcement last Friday that a recurrence of cancer will prevent him from running for reelection next year, a race he was expected to win. City Hall sources anticipate that Council Member Heather Fargo will now join announced candidate Council Member Robbie Waters in the race. Colorful businessman Leonard Padilla is also expected to announce his candidacy.



The "gay vote" has been credited with providing the margin of victory in the race for mayor in the past and lesbians and gays can anticipate being "wooed" by all the mayoral candidates.

In Praise of America

by Lee Nichols
MGW Staff

For two hundred twenty three years the United States of America has been struggling to create a society which honors the truth that we **are all created equal... and endowed...with certain unalienable rights, including life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.**

It took our nation nearly 150 years to acknowledge that women were equal citizens—though women's equality is still not assured, it took us another 40 years after that to move beyond emancipation to achieve the first glimmer of equal treatment of the descendants of those who were once enslaved—and that battle too is far from won. Jews struggle still against anti-Semitism and Hispanics are harassed by police who "profile" them as probable aliens and drug dealers

For women who love women and men who love men the promise of enjoying our unalienable right to pursue happiness in our own way remains a distant dream. . .a dream deferred, a dream denied. But as our nation celebrates this birthday we would be remiss if we failed to acknowledge that some small steps have been taken on the path toward liberty and equality.

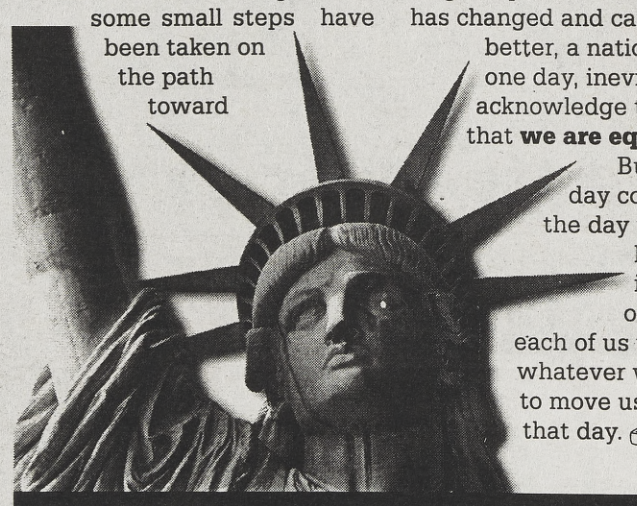
- James Hormel is an Ambassador of the United States.

- The President of the United States was the featured speaker at the Human Rights Campaign dinner.

- Sheila Kuehl and Carol Migden are respected members of the California State Legislature.

Lesbian and gay couples are raising healthy children in loving homes. . .and these children, and the husbands and wives they may one day marry, and the children they will raise will smooth the path toward that inevitable fulfillment of our dream.

As we celebrate the birthday of our country it is right to remember the atrocities our government has committed or condoned. . .slavery, the slaughter of Native Americans, the rabid excesses of McCarthy, the neglect of the rights of women, and the denial of the rights for lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transsexuals. But we should also sing the praise of a nation that has changed and can become better, a nation which will one day, inevitably, acknowledge the truth that **we are equal .**



But until that day comes, or until the day we draw our last breath, it is the obligation of each of us to try, in whatever way we can, to move us all toward that day.

CORRECTION

In its' June 15th Issue, MGW Newspaper inadvertently published the wrong contact phone number for the Lambda Letters Project, California's oldest statewide lobbying organization for the GLBT community. The correct phone number is (916) 965-6851. The Project may also be reached at LambdaLP@aol.com.

A Community United

by Lee Nichols
MGW Staff

The fires that devastated Sacramento's Jewish temples have ignited an unprecedented community response, a response which offers promise of changing forever the heart of our city.

The day after the terrorists fire bombing members of the temple congregations gathered across the street from Temple B'Nai Israel to be joined by elected officials, leaders of dozens of ethnic and other religious groups, the Sheriff, Police, and FBI in a dramatic expression of unity. At that gathering in the park across from the most horrendously damaged of the temples, Japanese,

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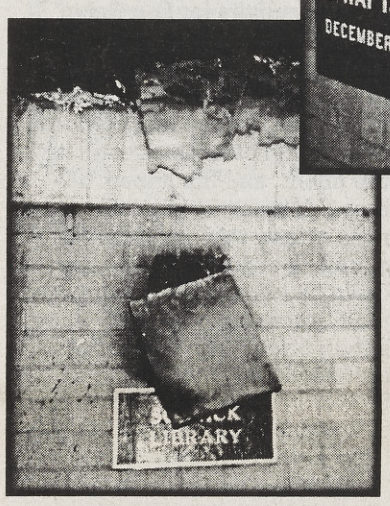

Chinese, African-American, and Hispanic community spokespeople pledged support and called for unity in the face of hate. At that press conference Hate Crime Commission member Marghe Covino presented a check for $500 to the reward fund and reminded the audience and urged those present not to forget that lesbians and gays are also targets of hate crimes and must be included in any Sacramento response.

The following evening the importance of her reminder became painfully obvious. As 4500 people filled the Community Center theater the members of the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Educators Network who were proudly displaying a banner announcing the support of gay and lesbians were told their presence was unwelcome and their involvement inappropriate. And gays and lesbians then listened with dismay as speaker after speaker recited the list of the targets of hate criminals but failed to mention lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgender people.

In response to this failure, community leader Leonard Padilla, who donated $25,000 to the fund, has pledged to work with the gay community to assure that we are included in any civic memorial created in response to the temple bombings. "The crazies who commit these ugly hate crimes don't discriminate. . .they hate gays just as much as they hate Jews, Blacks, Asians, or Hispanics."

Vital as Padilla's support is, it is critical that every one of us speak out at every opportunity to demand that the hate crimes directed against us, and the murders of lesbians and gays, not be ignored at this time when the community is focused on religious hatred.

When the news broke of the senseless destruction of the temples broke, Gale Lang of Open Book, asked her international network of email correspondents to reflect on the tragedy. Here are a few of the moving and eloquent responses she received:

"I am appalled to hear about the attacks on your local synagogues. Is there to be no time when hatred will end? I am always intensely saddened when Americans, who have the most open and just Government in the world (I know you might not think so but, believe me, from the perspective of everywhere else, it's true, even from here in England), who have the best economy and the most liberty and personal freedom of any nation that has ever existed, can't seem to find anything else to do with these blessings than to use them to express hatred, intolerance, and violence. It must be heart-breaking to witness the wonderful event of

see Temple, page 17

Party at Noon, CAPPAC at 11

CAPPAC, Sacramento's gay and lesbian political action committee, turned 11 this year and celebrated its birthday with a gala held in the elegant old bank building at 7th and J Streets downtown, Sacramento. The featured speaker was California's engaging Attorney General Bill Lockyer.

But the highlight of the evening was not Lockyer's speech, which was very good and very well received, nor the food, which arrived slightly chilled (fine for white wine, not so fine for cauliflower and roast beef), nor even the wait staff, alluring as many of them were. The highlight was the crowd.

The magnificent, high ceilinged room was filled with what appeared to be about an equal number of women and men, all of whom appeared to be having a perfectly wonderful time. Indeed, one might suspect many awoke Sunday morning to find their smile muscles had been exhausted by an evening of ear-to-ear grinning.

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Linda Birner, Senator Liz Figueroa and Attorney General Bill Lockyer.

During the hours before the CAPPAC dinner a great-deal larger lesbian and gay crowd had gathered at South Side Park for Sacramento's annual Pride Celebration. The two events appeared to have only a limited cross-over appeal. The event in the park is essentially non-political and even relatively non-activist. During the warm daylight hours lesbians (in substantial numbers) and gay

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John Fogarty, Frank Lawler and Keyth Cameron.

see CAPPAC, page 20

Chamber of Commerce Blasts Knight

In an unprecedented action, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce voted to oppose the anti-gay marriage initiative, calling it "mean spirited" and accusing its sponsor, Republican State Senator Pete Knight, acting to divide Californians.

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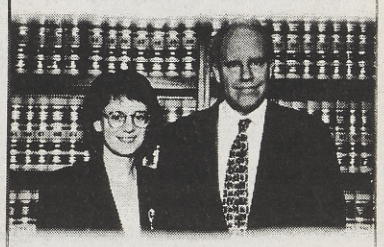

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$90.2 Million Projected Budget Shortfall Looms For AIDS Drug Assistant Programs - Experts Meet With Congress to Make Case for Increased Federal Funding

The success of state AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAP) could be threatened by $90 million dollar projected shortfall in federal funding for FY2000, even after substantial increases in federal and state funding over the past several years. In Capitol Hill briefing, directors of two state ADAPs, and an infectious disease specialist from John Hopkins University, explained that such a shortfall, coupled with an increase in demand, could imperil the program which is a life line of thousands who live with HIV and AIDS.

"Today, more people are seeking care for HIV than ever before. Advances in HIV therapy and easier access to medications over the past three years have led patients to seek treatment earlier, resulting in 40-50 percent increases in demand for outpatient care at some HIV clinics," explained Dr. Richard Moore, an infectious disease specialist and associate professor at John Hopkins. "While costs for HIV treatments have increased dramatically, they are offset by significant drops in hospitalizations, costs to treat AIDS-associated opportunistic infections, and actual decrease in AIDS death."

But, according to experts, more federal support is needed to ensure that all patients get the life-extending medications they require if these unprecedented drops in HIV-related deaths are to continue. A widely respected budget model developed by the ADAP Working Group, a coalition of AIDS advocacy organizations and pharmaceutical companies, predicts that without an additional $90.2 million in federal funding for FY2000, increased enrollment and demand for medications may overwhelm the program and threaten its success.

Even with increased federal funding, many state ADAPs are still forced to limit access or curtail coverage for patients when funding levels begin to fall below demand. Last year, according to the 1999 National ADAP Monitoring Report, 26 states cut ADAP services or faced budget shortages.

Christian Coalition In Deepening Trouble: Tax-Exempt Status Denied

The premiere anti-gay political organization in the country - the Virginia-based Christian Coalition - announced a massive reorganization after a series of humiliating setbacks and major high-level resignations that hit the once-formidable organization and its founder and chairman, televangelist Pat Robertson.

After an international public relations fiasco that severed lucrative business ties for Robertson last week, the Christian Coalition confirmed that the Internal Revenue Service has denied its long-pending application for 501(c)(4) tax-exempt status. The move has forced the group to be reorganized as business entity and rename itself Christian Coalition International, making it potentially liable to have any political coordinating connection to churches.

The announcement noted that the new cooperation will "have freedom to endorse political candidates on a state and local level, make financial contributions to candidates or engage in such activities as are permissible to all business" through the creating of a corporate political action committee. Such activities, however will be subject to stringent regulation by the Federal Elections Commission. The denial will also limit Robertson's ability to pump unlimited amounts of money into political activities - limiting his own personal contributions to $5,000 per year.

The announcement pointed out that the Texas chapter of the Christian Coalition, which currently "enjoys" 501(c)(4) tax-exempt status on its own, would be renamed Christian Coalition of America under a reorganized board of directors and become the "principal vehicle" for the organization's activities in the United States. It was unclear what role Robertson would play in the Texas organization or whether it would continue to be Texas-based. It is also uncertain how the business entity would generate revenue for itself, and what, if any, non-PAC political activities it could legally conduct under the Federal Elections Commission's watch.

"Clearly, the Christian Coalition, as we knew it, is no more," said Kevin Ivers, director of public affairs for Log Cabin Republicans. "In order to survive and remain a viable entity under the law, all of these actions were necessary. But the resignations, firings, and demotions of all its top talent, and the impact of these changes on its ability to raise money and campaign in churches make you wonder what could be left of the organization today, other than Pat Robertson sitting on the top. We shouldn't underestimate their ability to rebuild in some way, but it's hard to imagine how." Info: (202) 347-5306 or www.lcr.org.

AIDS Activists Angry With Gore

Twice, AIDS activists disrupted presidential campaign appearances by Vice President Al Gore. A group of four activists managed to get close to Gore during an appearance in Manchester, N.H., and shout at him for 40 seconds before a Secret Service agent approached the group. . The four activists, part of a group called AIDS Drugs for Africa, blew whistles and charged, "Gore's greed kills. AIDS drugs for Africa," from as close as two feet away from the candidate. Three times during the incident, Gore told the activists, "I'll be glad to talk with you afterward." The group is angry with Gore because he has allegedly threatened sanctions against African nations that are manufacturing generic forms of AIDS drugs that are protected by patent.

Banks Rethinking Robertson

by Fred Harvey, President–YoloPFLAG

In Scotland, the current conversion of Sterling to Dollars is about 1:1.59. You can calculate the dollars lost by the Bank of Scotland. Other banks will not ignore this loss, and think long and hard about doing business with Robertson in the future.

People have been watching with interest the determination of the Bank of Scotland (founded 1695) to stay in bed with Pat Robertson. His strictures on gays were brushed off as being made in another part of his organization and irrelevant to the financial issues. But when he mentioned the sacred word, "Scotland", and said that Scotland was a dark country run by homosexuals, the deal was immediately off, whatever the cost to the Bank. The loss has been estimated to be about ten million pound sterling.

Baptists Reprimand Clinton On Gays

Southern Baptists overwhelmingly voted to rebuke President Clinton for proclaiming June as Gay and Lesbian Pride Month.

"We're not going to allow the President, especially since he is Southern Baptist, to say that homosexuality is good," said the Rev. Willey Drake of Buena Park, CA.

The resolution also called on Clinton to rescind his appointment of James Hormel, who is gay, as ambassador to Luxembourg.

On education, Southern Baptists encouraged members to support politics that allow religious instruction in public schools, and they commend public school employees who offer Christian testimony.

Another motion asking that Clinton's home church, Immanuel Baptist Church in Little Rock, discipline him for supporting Gay and Lesbian Pride Month was ruled out of order Tuesday because it violated Baptist convention rules.

Oregon Moves to Ban Recognition of Same-Sex Unions

A committee in the Oregon House of Representatives resurrected a proposed ballot measure to prohibit the recognition of same-sex unions. The House had set aside an earlier version of the initiative, leading activists to believe the measure was dead. However, proponents of the measure revised the proposal by deleting a provision that would have required judges to block any benefits for unmarried couples. The new version of the measure passed the House Judiciary–Civil Law Committee by a 5-4 vote. The measure now goes to the full House for a vote. If approved, the initiative could be on the ballot as soon as November.

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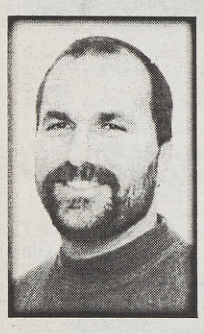
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GLAAD Hires OnLine Director

The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) hired Will Doherty as Director of Online Community Development. Doherty will pioneer efforts to ensure rights of privacy and access on the Internet for the GLBT communities. Doherty will spearhead campaigns to make the community a visible, organized voice against media misrepresentation online. Info: www.glad.org.

Robertson Corporate Meltdown Continues

On the heels of the collapse of a multi-million dollar deal with the Bank of Scotland, the far right political empire of televangelist Pat Robertson was dealt yet another blow. Under the threat of an international protest a kin to the one his Bank of Scotland deal faced, Robertson announced his abrupt resignation from the Board of Directors of Laura Ashley, a UK-based company.

Robertson's seat on Laura Ashley's board was Robertson's final high-profile, mainstream corporate affiliation. His lasting misfortune has sent chills through the far right. It is not known whether Robertson faced inside pressure to resign from Laura Ashley, where he owns two million shares.

"This should send a message to the business and political worlds that Pat Robertson's extremist views will damage anyone who tries to affiliate with him," said Kevin Ivers, director of public affairs for Log Cabin Republicans.

NLGJA Deplores 'Bathroom Journalism' by TV News

Several television news outlets around the country are exceeding the bounds of journalism standards and taste by featuring lurid images on news broadcasts based on hidden surveillance of sexual meeting places, the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association reports.

"As an organization that represents lesbian and gay professionals concerned with responsible portrayal, we deplore this kind of voyeuristic broadcast journalism," said Karen Boothe, NLGJA president.

"NLGJA in no way condones illegal sexual activity in public places," said Boothe. "But nor do we condone exploitive coverage that panders to sexual curiosity as a way of pumping up ratings." Boothe added that reporting of improper conduct anywhere must meet journalistic standards of accuracy, relevance and good taste.

Boothe referred to several instances in which news stations, some using hidden cameras, spy on rest stop and bathroom locales allegedly used as sexual meeting places by males. This unprecedented use of secret news cameras in restrooms has turned up in several cities-up to 20 according to an article published in The Village Voice this week. They include San Antonio, San Diego, Chicago, Miami, Charlotte and Albuquerque. Fox's Channel 5 in New York ran such a segment on Monday, May 11, 1998.

The Voice article, by Richard Goldstein, reports that in many cases cameras are intruded in business and other private establishment restrooms without permission. In one case, the newspaper quotes a reporter who said he sat on a toilet seat for some time with a camera hidden in his shoulder bag, waiting until someone approached him.

In San Antonio, station KENS-TV last year ran a story that depicted nude men in a sexual act in a restroom, causing a community furor over such images. Similar images were presented in a recent San Diego broadcast news segment.

"Depicting such images, homosexual or heterosexual becomes suspect when highly promoted as investigative journalism," said Boothe, who is political correspondent for Minnesota Public Radio. "Public sex is as foreign to the lives of most gay people as it is to most straight people. Males who engage in this practice with other males are usually those whose fear of societal condemnation makes them afraid to frequent clubs and bars where they risk being identified."

Boothe said such stereotypical stories rarely examine the societal pressures that push people to have anonymous sex. What's more, day-to-day coverage on these stations often fails to present an accurate portrait of gay people living healthy and productive lives.

From time to time we'll add a queer slant to news items the straight media has overlooked.

Mixed Up Mice:

Earl Grey, the U.S. EPA toxicologist, not the British breakfast tea, confirms that a lot of mice born at Kesterson Wildlife Refuge are both Minny and Mickey mice. These true bisexuals have the equipment of both males and females. What the study has so far failed to determine is whether they are attracted to other boy mice, to girl mice, or to others like themselves.

Reports that Rev. Jerry Falwell has accused the Bureau of Reclamation of deliberately creating these queer mice could not be confirmed at press time.

Chimps Have Culture Too:

Hard on the heels of findings that some male chimpanzees prefer other males, and some female chimps bond with other females comes the news that our primate cousins also have culture. That is, they develop unique ways of doing everyday things and passing on their ways to those close to them.

It has not yet been learned whether the male-male chimps are chiefly responsible for decorating their nests and the nest of the lesbian chimp couple in the nest tree but research is underway.

Straight Women Suffer from Short Grass:

Research commissioned by Home and Garden (Cable) TV confirms what many straight women have know for years, their husbands would rather cut the lawn than have sex. "For fun and enjoyment" over half the men preferred working in the yard to doing their duty in the bedroom.

An informal study by **MGW Staff,** found, on the contrary, that among gays and lesbians sex is preferred 8 to 1 over gardening, especially among couples who do not have back yards.

"I've never seen a window box that could hold a candle to Agnes," one woman said, and one of the males, who claimed to be in a monogamous relationship with himself, insisted that "The grass is not greener in the other guy's yard!"

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YOUTH / SENIORS

Gay Prom in Dallas a Sucess

In pairs, some going stag, some with parents, almost 200 young adults roughed heavy downpours to attend Dallas' second gay prom.

Parents, Family and Friends of Lesbians and Gays hosted the Rainbow GAYla Saturday night at the Grand Hotel, and people came from all over the Metroplex and North Texas. Heightened publicity and security measures accounted for the event's success, organizers believe. And many announced that they would be back next spring, some for a third year.

"I like it better than last year already," said Taylor Martin, while taking a breather from dancing with her girlfriend Brooke. "I don't know exactly what's improved, but I think it's the general atmosphere, and I think there's more people."

"Don't label your kids. Let them be who they are. Too many people try to push their kids into a defined spot," she said. "I know growing up, my parents certainly said you should do this and this; whether or not I was happy never came into it. My main concern is that what ever they do, they're happy."

While Saturday's event went on without incident, according to hotel and PFLAG security officers, last year members of the religious right tried to interrupt the function.

"I know there were protesters last year, and my husband was a little obnoxious with them, rolling down the window and shouting [an expletive]," Embler said. "So the kids were kind of hoping they would be out there so they could hear Dad again."

GAYla participants said they believe inclement weather may have deterred any naysayers. One guest credited divine intervention for the short-lived yet powerful thunderstorm that ended as most of the guests had arrived.

On the other hand, supporters were abundant with dozens of gay and lesbian couples chaperoning. That kind of presence along with numerous caring parents sends the perfect message of acceptance, PFLAG president Dave Gleason said. And Embler knows it's true.

"We're giving our support as a way to show our kids that we accept them for who they are."

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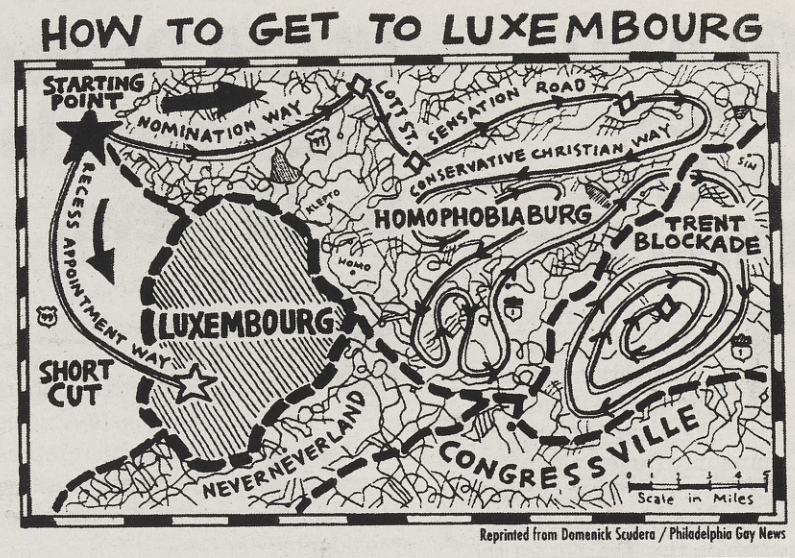

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"PECO has to deal with the repercussions of not permitting the word 'gay' on the crown lights."

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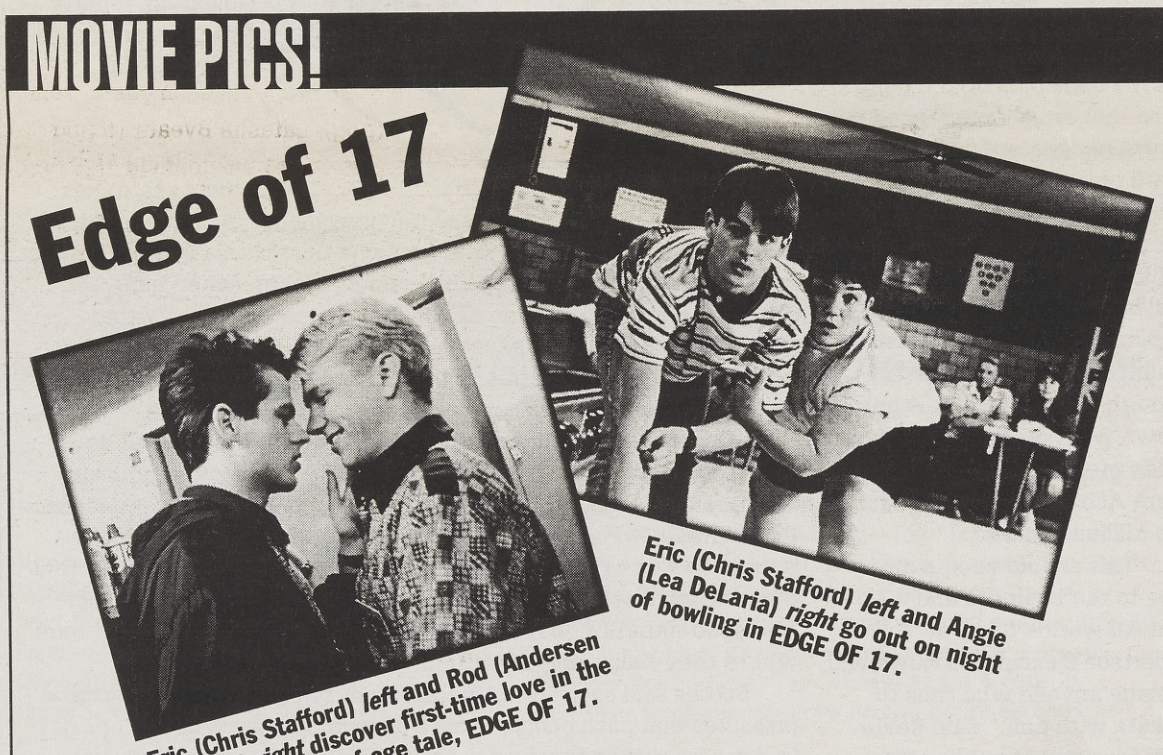

Eric (Chris Stafford) *left* and Angie (Lea DeLaria) *right* go out on night of bowling in EDGE OF 17.

Eric (Chris Stafford) *left* and Rod (Andersen Gabrych) *right* discover first-time love in the romantic coming-of-age tale, EDGE OF 17.

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SPORTS / FITNESS

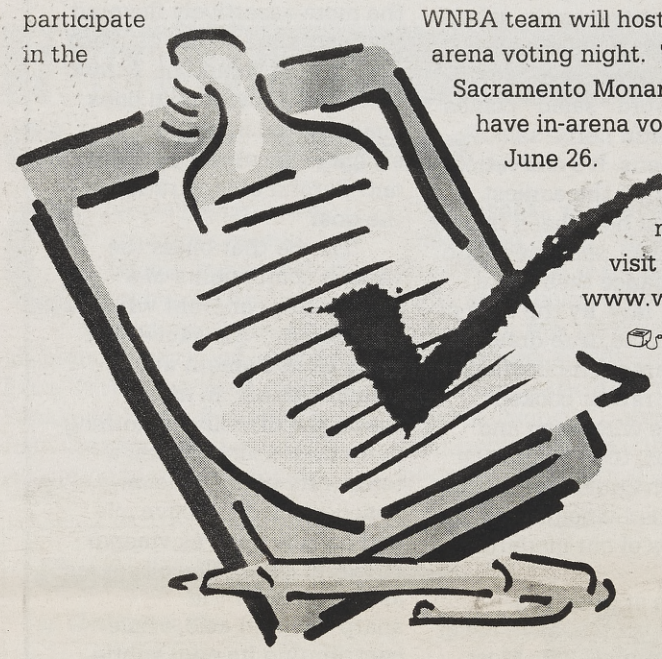
WNBA Releases 1999 All-Star Ballots

Fifty-six players representing all 12 WNBA teams appear on the Inaugural WNBA All-Star Game ballot released last week.

The WNBA All Star Game will take place on Wednesday, July 14 at New York City's Madison Square Garden. The event will be televised on ESPN beginning at 4:30pm PT.

We are delighted that our fans will have the opportunity to participate in the selection of players for our first All-Star Game." WNBA President, Val Ackerman said. "The game will showcase the incredible sportsmanship, team work, player talent, and fan support that has made the WNBA so special."

A total of 56 players- 28 each from the Eastern and Western conferences- are listed on the ballot. Voters must select two guards, two forwards, and one center for each team. Each WNBA team will host an in-arena voting night. The Sacramento Monarchs will have in-arena voting on June 26.



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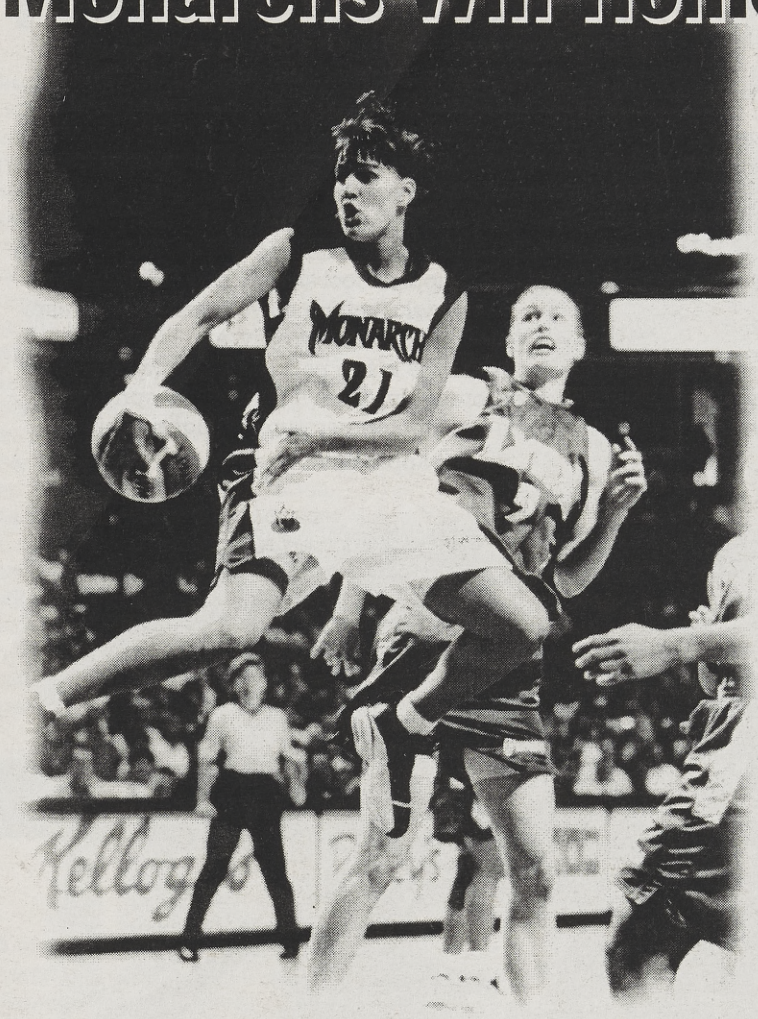
Monarchs Win Home Opener



Sacramento overcame a - point deficit and outscored Phoenix 57-35 in the second half en route to the franchise's first victory over the Phoenix Mercury 96-85 9 in front of the 11,221 crowd at Arco Arena. Yolanda Griffith scored 31 points and pulled down nine rebounds and Kedra Holland-Corn added 20 points to lead the Monarchs to a franchise- high 96 points.

High Octane Offense

The Monarchs are running on high averaging 87 points in the first three games of the 1999 WNBA season compared to their 1998 average of 71.5 points. The Monarch's high octane offense is fueled by four players scoring in the double figures each game: Yolanda Griffith 23 points per game (ppg), Latasha Byears 16 ppg, Kedra Holland-Corn 13.5 ppg, and by Ruthie Bolton-Holifield 11.5 ppg.

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DEAR EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I recently solicited donations for a silent auction at our booth at the Sacramento Pride Festival. I initially had spoken to an employee at the Marconi Trader Joe's store who told me it was likely that they would make a donation. After sending a letter to the store's donation coordinator and receiving no reply, I telephoned.

What the Donation Director said both surprised and angered me. He stated, "Our store has a policy that we do not get involved in controversial groups and issues." (like donations to a gay & lesbian group?) He went on to say, "We stay neutral and do not take a political stand on issues. He also indicated they did not want to associate Trader Joe's name with our group, even though personally gays didn't bother him, and he even has a few friends who are gay. I worked to maintain my composure and told him the donation issue was now a moot point. My **real** concern now was about how they perceived our group. I asked if I could be sent a copy of their written policy regarding donations and what groups they view as "controversial." I also asked to speak to the store manager. He said the store's company policies that they do not "make a political stand" and they "remain neutral when it comes to certain groups." I asked for the name of someone in their corporate headquarters that might be able to more clearly explain their policy to me, and perhaps provide something in writing. He gave me the name and number of Pat St. John, the promotion coordinator in the Los Angeles area. By the time I reached Pat on the phone, about 10 minutes later, she had already received a call from the Sacramento store. Pat had a completely different response. She was very apologetic about the information I received from the employees at the Marconi store. She assured me that Trader Joe's has been involved in making large donations to events associated with the gay community. She also agreed that the Sacramento store staff might benefit from some sensitivity/diversity in-service training. She indicated she hoped this was "an isolated incident," and she would be sure to follow-up with a call back to the Marconi store. She also added, a donation to our group's event would be made by the store. Pat informed me that Trader Joe's has had disruptive groups in their store in the past, and that was the reason they avoid certain groups associated with controversial issues.

Our gay community is not accepted by everyone, even when we think we are. People need to be educated about who we are, and not fear what they think we are.

The apologies and donations were accepted, and there was a small sense of victory. However I have to admit, a faint bitter taste was left in my mouth. All said and done, there was a lesson learned from this experience of perceived exclusion. Sacramento is not LA or San Francisco. Our gay community is not accepted by everyone, even when we think we are. People need to be educated about who we are, and not fear what they think we are. We are really not that different from anyone else. We can, however, choose where and how we spend our gay dollars. Although I am obviously not considering a boycott of Trader Joe's because of this experience, they came close to losing a long-term, frequent customer. We are everywhere, and perhaps we should make ourselves known wherever we spend our money.

by Connie Axelrod,
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New Potato Salad

By Randy Hartley
MGW/Staff

This simple potato salad is exceptionally good with summer barbecue. It is equally as scrumptious tossed with a whole-grain-mustard vinaigrette instead of the mayonnaise dressing.

2 lb. small new potatoes
Salt
Freshly ground black pepper
3/4 cup mayonnaise
3/4 cup of sour cream or plain yogurt
1/2 cup finely chopped sweet, red onion
1/2 cup minced dill or parsley
Fresh dill sprigs for garnish

Wash the potatoes under running cold water, scrubbing well to remove all traces of soil.

Cook and dry the potatoes. Transfer the potatoes to a large bowl and cut into halves, quarters, or slices, if desired. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Cool slightly before dressing.

In a bowl combine mayonnaise, sour cream or yogurt, and dill or parsley, and blend well. Pour over the warm potatoes and toss gently to mix thoroughly. Garnish with herb sprigs and serve at room temperature or slightly chilled.

Serves approximately 6.

The Versatile Salad

Part One

By Randy Hartley
MGW/Staff

More than any other part of the menu, a salad invites the play of artful imagination. Meant to refresh, it may be served at the beginning of a meal to tempt the appetite, as a side course to provide relief from heavier dishes, or after the main course to cleanse the palate. In hot weather a salad may be the entire meal. Depending on its function, the dish may be as casual as a fresh bowl of lettuces, or as structured as medallions of salmon encased in a shimmering aspic; salads may, in fact, include almost any food known to cookery.

The word "salad" comes from the latin herba salata–salted greens. It's derivation suggests that the earliest salads must have been freshly picked leaves, seasoned with salt to enhance their taste and eaten raw. By the time of imperial Rome, true dressings had appeared. The Romans garnished raw or cooked vegetables with fresh and dried herbs, then filmed the whole with liquid ingredients that included vinegar and oil–the staples of our modern dressings.

Salads of fresh vegetables, of course, have never lost their importance. Most people, in fact, think of a salad as a bit of the garden brought to the table. In the days before mass vegetable production, the salad was an edible symbol of summer, the antithesis of the dried vegetable and salted meat that were winter fare.

It should go without saying that in all salads, simple or elaborate, the first consideration is the quality of the ingredients. Dubious quality can be masked in many cooked dishes. Elderly vegetables, for example, still can render their flavor to stocks and stews. A salad, though, exists to display its freshest ingredients.

In every case, then, a salad should be inspired by whatever is freshest in the market on a particular day. For many vegetable salads, this means locally grown produce bought in season such as at our Farmers Markets across from City Hall and under the W-X section of the freeway. When it comes to fashioning alliances of salad ingredients–whether meat, vegetables, fish, shell fish or grains–one general rule should be kept in mind: the more assertively flavored the food, the smaller its place in the salad should be. Strong tastes overpower mild ones. Similarly, too many strong accents cancel one another out. Careful orchestration is the goal.

The tie that binds the various components of a salad into a coherent whole is the dressing–the sauce that coats each element and is common to all. In most cases, the dressing is nothing more than a vinaigrette, a temporary emulsion composed of oil–often olive oil–and an acid such as vinegar or lemon juice. The oil serves as a vehicle for the sharp-flavored acid, while contributing its own subtle taste; the acid's astringency intensifies the tastes of the components of the salad. The nature of the oil and its proportion to acid are variables. For a green salad of very delicate leaves, a mild light olive oil is in order, and the amount of acid should be small; strong-flavored leaves can support the more dominant flavor of first cold press, extra virgin olive oil, and a more generous use of sharp-flavored vinegar.

Part two will cover presentation and wine with salad.

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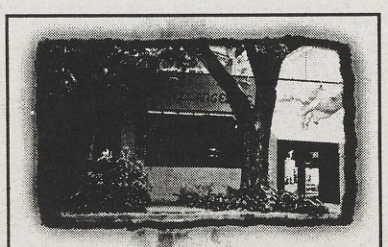

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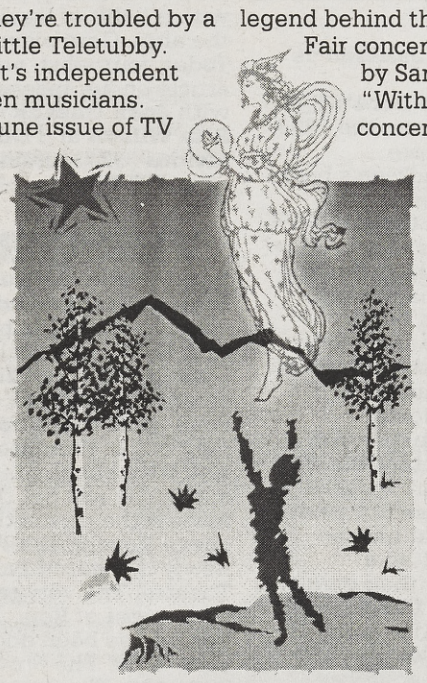
Falwell Attacks Lilith Fair



First they're troubled by a cute little Teletubby. Now it's independent women musicians. The June issue of TV minister Jerry Falwell's National Liberty Journal, based in Lynchburg, Va., contains an article headlined "Secrets of the Lilith Fair" that warns parents about the so-called demonic legend behind the popular Lilith Fair concert series founded by Sarah McLachlan. "With the Lilith Fair concerts drawing such media attention in its third year, National Liberty Journal is presenting this article as an information tool to parents who may not wish their children to participate in a music festival that celebrates a pagan figure," the magazine warned darkly. "Many young people no doubt attend the Lilith Fair concerts not knowing the demonic legend of the mystical woman whose name the series manifests." Lilith is a figure from ancient Hebrew mythology who takes on a variety of forms in different stories: Adam's first wife; a fiery female spirit; and a wild-haired, winged seductress who tempts men in their sleep. Some see her as the first feminist because of her independent ways. Carole Shields, president of People for the American Way Foundation, reacted to the National Liberty Journal article by offering to purchase the Rev. Falwell a ticket to the popular concert series. "But he'll have to come to Washington, because I don't think the tour is going through Lynchburg," Shields said.

FAREWELL

Charles Pierce

Charles Pierce, one of America's best-known female impersonators, renowned for his characterizations of such glamorous Hollywood legends as Bette Davis, Mae West, Tallulah Bankhead, Gloria Swanson, and Joan Crawford, died at age 73. According to the *Los Angeles Times*, Pierce, who repeatedly announced his retirement during the 1980s, died of cancer Monday night at his home in Toluca Lake, CA. Pierce was most recently seen by area audiences in 1990, when the death of his most famous character, Davis, led to calls begging the flamboyant performer to return to the stage. In response to those requests, Pierce revived his one-man nightclub act, renamed it "Fasten Your Seatbelts", and took it on the road. Onstage, Pierce described the show to his audience as "the legendary ladies of the silver screen, all talking, all singing, all dancing, & all dead."

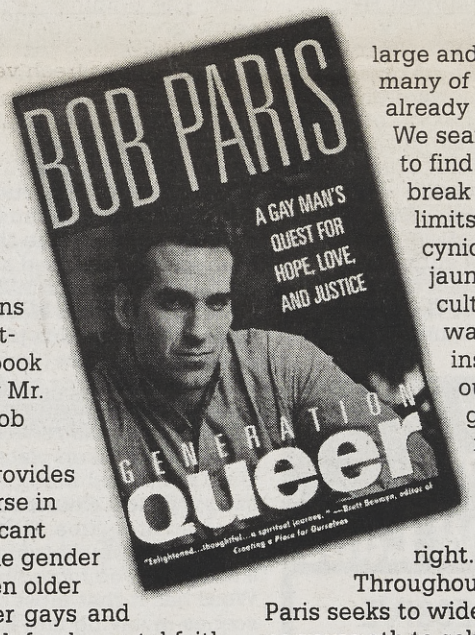
Meet Christian at the Open Book July 8th

Christian de la Huerta, author of *Coming Out Spiritually: The Next Step,* a new outlook on gay and lesbian spirituality will be appearing at The Open Book on July 8th at 7pm. Founder and executive director of Q-Spirit, an international network of gays and lesbians in spirituality, and the host of "Spirit Wave", the gay and lesbian spiritual Internet radio program, he will discuss his synthesis of ten spiritual archetypes that gays and lesbians often assume and enact today as detailed in his book.

Generation Queer

by Christopher Rizo

Paris, Bob, Generation Queer, Warner Books, New York, 1999. ($13.99)



"I want to tell you a secret," Paris writes, "it's not my only secret, but it's a strong one nonetheless. No. On second thought, better take first things first by stating the obvious. I am a queer man. That's certainly no secret. It's not everything I am, but it's certainly an important part of who I am. So what's this big secret of mine? It is this: Each day on some level, I must come to grips with the fact that being gay makes me feel wonderfully gifted and painfully cursed, and more importantly that both of these extremes come from inside of me and nowhere else."

So begins this thought-provoking book from former Mr. Universe, Bob Paris.

Paris provides us a discourse in such significant issues as the gender gap between older and younger gays and copping with fundamental faith-traditions.

"It is time we lived our lives differently. In many ways, both large and small, many of us have already begun this. We search. We try to find ways to break free of the limits that the cynics and jaundiced cultural watchdogs inside and outside the gay community, tell us are our only birthright."

Throughout his work Paris seeks to widen the narrow path to self-enlightenment and self-acceptance among gay and lesbians into the next millennium.

Melissa Talks About Parenting.

In the current issue, Janezz, 1999 of the Advocate Melissa Etheridge talks about her new album, new movie, and new love... parenting.

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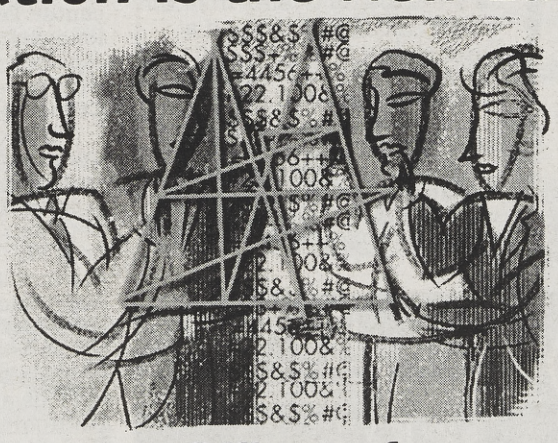

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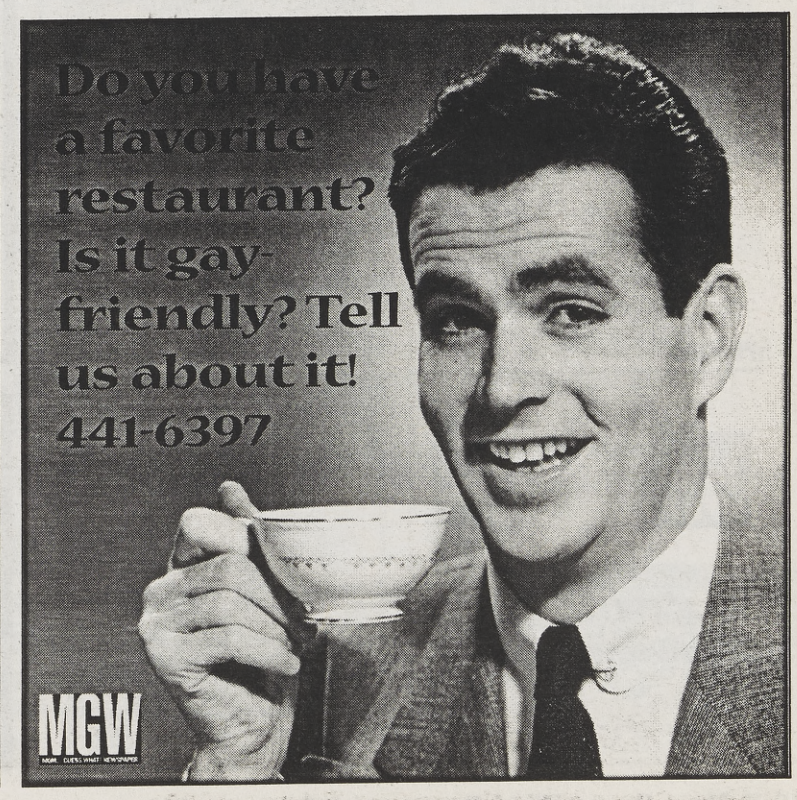

LOCAL SCENE

Artists Post/Smothers Revisited

David Post is familiar to art lovers in the Sacramento area. His new series, "Medditerrano", was painted during his sabbatical from his law practice in the summer of 1998. While traveling and living in France and Spain with his wife Susan, Post sketched and painted local people using urban and rural landscapes as his point of reference. Post is the son of Alan Post, artist and long-time State Legislative Analyst.

Originally an abstract painter, Post was primarily concerned with compositional elements and the relationship color played in the composition. Painting mostly representational works for the last eight years, composition and color remain central to his themes. In his news series, Post attempts to retain elements of abstraction by tolerating the ambiguities that naturally occur in the intellectual interpretation of what we see. Using fresh and bold strokes, Post takes the subject beyond representation, bringing to the viewer a unique feeling toward the space and people he paints.

Mel Smothers received his Master in Fine Arts this Spring at University of Idaho. Earlier receiving a degree in Studio Art in California State University, Sacramento, he also studied with Wayne Theibaud and Gregory Kondos in post degree work.

Above – *Montpellier*, by David Post; Left – *Purification #17*, by Mel Smothers. Both exhibits appearing at the Solomon Dubnick Gallery July 7-31.

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HOLLYWOOD SCENE

Gay Lead in Disney Film

by Gerald Semas
MGW Staff

FILM - How does an out Gay actor and Madonna pal get a lead role in a Disney film? For starters, you go by the name of **Rupert Everett** and relish the chance to play one of his most juiciest roles of the Summer. In the July 23rd release, Inspector Gadget Everett plays the title character's arch-nemesis, billionaire Sanford Scolex, who through a disfiguring accident, becomes the evil Dr. Claw. Everett describes the character as a cross between **Terry Thomas** and **Gore Vidal**. This live-action version of the cartoon series features **Matthew Broderick** (Torch Song Trilogy) as a naïve security guard who is blown up by Dr. Claw and saved by sexy scientist **Joely Fisher** (Ellen). When revived, the newly dubbed Inspector discovers his new mechanical body is full of gizmos and gadgets that would make **James Bond** envious. Among his new accessories are helicopter blades which pop out of his head and flaming fingertips. The cast also includes **Cherie Oteri** (Saturday Night Live) **Andy Dick** (News Radio) and **Dabney Coleman** (You've Got Mail). ▼▼▼

Expect to be confused, and rightly so with this summer's two big haunted house movies. One is The House on Haunted Hill, a remake of the 1958 William Castle film. The other is The Haunting, based on The Haunting of Hill House based on **Shirley Jackson's** novel, but unrelated to the **Roddy McDowell** film The Legend of Hell House. Are you lost yet? In The House on Haunted Hill, **Geoffrey Rush** is a dark-humored tycoon who hosts a birthday party for his gold digger wife in a former mental institution. *Hard work for caterers when their jackets button from behind.* The guests are told they'll receive very special party favors, $1 million if they survive the night in this legendary site of suffering. Among the invitees are **Taye Diggs** (Go), **Peter Gallagher**, **Chris Kattan** (Saturday Night Live) and **Famke Janssen** as the wife.

Director **Jan De Bont's** The Haunting differs from the 1963 version, relying more consistently on Jackson's book while recreating important aspects missed in the first version. A number of special effects shots set this version apart including one in which murdered children begin forming out of the sheets and pillows of a bed. **Liam Neeson** (Star Wars, The Phantom Menace) plays a doctor conducting a sleep-disorder study in a 19th century Gothic mansion. The group quickly discovers things are not what they seem and that unseen forces are conducting a terrifying study of their own. The cast includes **Lili Taylor** (I Shot Andy Warhol) as a social misfit, **Owen Wilson** a professional guinea pig and **Catherine Zeta-Jones** (Entrapment) a bisexual city girl. ▼▼▼

One day he's in a movie about Gay people and now he's written one. Actor **Keith Reddin** (Too Wong Foo, Thanks For Everything, Julie Newmar) has scripted the film All The Rage. The drama features **David Schwimmer** (Friends) and **Andre Brauer** (Homicide) as a Gay couple with problems. Others cast members include **Joan Allen** (Pleasantville), **Josh Brolin** (Flirting with Disaster), **Robert Forster** (Psycho) and **Giovanni Ribisi** (The Mod Squad). Schwimmer will spend July 14 - 25 starring in the world premiere of **Warren Leight's** play, The Glimmer Brothers. The work, about two generations of jazz musicians is part of the Williamstown Theatre Festival in Massachusetts.

It's a toga party gone bad when **Russell Crowe** (The Sum of Us) plays General Maximus in **Ridley Scott's** (Thelma & Louise) upcoming film Gladiator. As next in line to the throne, Maximus is banished after the murder of Emperor Marcus Aurelius, **Richard Harris**, by his nephew Commodus played by **Joaquin Phoenix** (8mm). After training as a fierce gladiator, the former military leader returns to Rome to take his revenge. Filming has taken place in the U.K., Malta and Morocco with co-stars **Djimon Hounsou** (ER) as the gladiator Juba, **Oliver Reed** (The Three Musketeers) and **Lou Ferrigno** (The Incredible Hulk). Word has it that most of the scenes involving late **Reed**, had been completed prior to his death on location in Malta last May. Reed, known for his advance drinking talent was found slumped over a table in a local Bar. There is no truth to the rumor that fire used for his cremation is still burning. ▼▼▼

Julia Robert's hit film Notting Hill provided a reunion for a number of talents from the movie Four Weddings and a Funeral. Her next film, Runaway Bride provides the same opportunity when it brings together familiar faces from her hit film Pretty Woman. This time it's Roberts reteaming with director **Garry Marshall** and stars **Richard Gere** and **Hector Elizondo** who is making his eleventh appearance in a Garry Marshall film. **Roberts**, apparently undaunted by comparison to her actual romantic history, plays a woman with a habit of leaving men at the altar. Gere plays a USA Today, journalist, writing an article on her insensitive habit with **Joan Cusack** (In and Out) **Rita Wilson** and **Christopher Meloni** (OZ) rounding out the cast. ▼▼▼

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THEATRE - M Butterfly author, **David Henry Hwang** has been added to the creative ensemble behind the new Disney musical Aida. Hwang will be credited as creative consultant, having done some touch up work on the book of this **Elton John-Tim Rice** show. Chicago audiences will get their chance to view the production when it opens November 12th at the newly renovated Palace Theatre. The very talented and former star of Rent, **Adam Pascal** has been added to the cast. ▼▼▼ The Provincetown Repertory Theatre will stage the world premiere of a play by illustrator **Edward Gorey** called Goreyphobia from Aug. 17th - Sept. 11. Tony Award winning conductor and orchestrator **Peter Matz** has composed the music for the project. ▼▼▼

Stephen Spinella (Love! Valour! Compassion!) joins **Daisy Eagan** (The Secret Garden) and **Alice Ripley** (Side Show) in Playwright Horizon's The Dead. The new play with music by **Richard Nelson** and **Shaun Davey**, is based on the **James Joyce** story and begins previews October 1st. ▼▼▼ SF's New Conservatory Theatre continues it's Celebrating Women Festival with a 15th anniversary production of **Kathy Najimy** and **Mo Gaffney's** Parallel Lives through July 31, NCT will also brings Obie Award-winning writer, **Holly Hughes'** Preaching to the Perverted to the city-by-the-bay in September. Hughes is the Lesbian whom **David Gergen** called "a threat to national security." *Now doesn't that alone make it worth seeing?*

TELEVISION - MTV debuts a new half hour daily series called Undressed on July 19th. The network has ordered 30 episodes of the show from austere director **Roland Joffe** (The Killing Fields). The premise focuses on three fictional couples and the discussions they have as they get ready for bed each night. ▼▼▼ The Devil lost his voice in the new Summer animated series God, The Devil and Bob. Substance abuse plagued, **Robert Downey Jr**. lost his gig of voicing the character of Satan when he recently entered another drug rehab program. The actor confessed to his parole officer that he'd fallen off the wagon and faster than you can say "Post Nasal Drip", he was taken away to one more recovery center. Let's hope this one works for a change. Downey has been replaced by an better choice for the Prince of Darkness, **Alan Cumming** (Cabaret). ▼▼▼

For those mourning the upcoming end of the syndicated series Hercules, cheer up. Lead star **Kevin Sorbo** is choosing between two sci fi series for his next job. The final episode of the heroic adventure show will air in December though fans will see Sorbo weekly again when his new series debuts in the Fall of 2000. Among Sorbo's two choices are Gene Roddenberry's Andromeda and Gene Rodenberry's Starship. The first follows a scientist from the planet Korkya trying to find his way home after being transported 500 years ahead into the future. The other is being compared to **Star Trek**, and would feature Sorbo as the Captain of a space traveling group of adventurers.

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The Loved One

by Stefan Grünwedel
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THE RED VIOLIN. Greta Scacchi and Samuel L. Jackson. Written and directed by Francois Girard. (128 min.)

Anyone who owns an antique has a direct connection with the past. It's interesting to think about each owner being affected by that object over the years—especially musicians by a particularly beloved (and beautifully sounding) musical instrument.

Francois Girard's THE RED VIOLIN takes a fascinating (if hypothetical) look at the life of a masterfully crafted violin, from 17th century workshop in Cremona, Italy, to big-ticket auction house in 20th century Montreal.

Along each step of the journey, it is cherished as probably few humans are loved. Each person who comes into contact with it not only appreciates its perfection but savors its specialness—and cannot bear to part with it for anything (or anyone) in the world. Indeed, each owner treasures it until death.

In telling this century-spanning tale, THE RED VIOLIN is set in five countries and told in four languages. A sense of authenticity renders the film believable and ultimately compelling.

The violin is born in the violin workshop of master-craftsman Nicolo Bussotti (Carlo Cecchi), whose tolerance of imperfection is almost nonexistent. His wife, Anna (Irene Grazioli), is pregnant and has worries about it because of her (apparently) advanced age. Upon consulting the maid and cook, Cesca (Anita Laurenzi), who's also a Tarot card reader, she learns her fate.

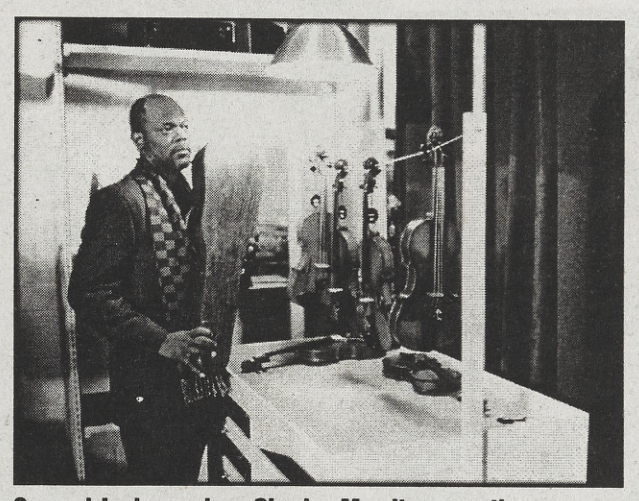
Or so it seems. Actually, the cards more accurately tell the destiny of the violin.

The violin travels from 17th century Italy to 18th century Austria, where music teacher Georges Poussin (Jean-Luc Bideau) intends for his new-found prodigy Kaspar Weiss (Christoph Koncz) to perform before the prince and make them both rich and famous.

Later the instrument appears in 19th century England where flamboyant showman-musician Frederick Pope (Jason Flemyng) wows his audiences and alienates his equally romantic (and jealous) lover Victoria (Greta Scacchi).

After that it's carried overseas to China where, later engulfed by Communist ideology, it is publicly denounced at a rally as the embodiment of bourgeois imperialism and nearly destroyed.

It survives all this drama to find itself being flown to present-day Canada, authenticated by appraiser Charles Morritz (Samuel Jackson), and finally auctioned—like any other highly-sought work of art—to the highest bidder.



Samuel Jackson plays Charles Morritz, an antique instrument appraiser in The Red Violin.

For director Girard, the story isn't whether the violin survives its journey through the centuries. The drama resides in the successive relationships between the instrument and its various owners. Each one is different, but equally intense—especially in the present day, where various music lovers vie for the violin by bidding higher and higher. Thanks to the skillfully crafted script, these individuals are not just greedy; they mostly have ties to the instrument that go back many years.

What makes THE RED VIOLIN so delightful is its structure. The story begins where it ends: on the auction block. However, rather than merely provide an excuse for flashbacks, this cross-cutting actually allows two stories to be told in parallel. The servant's humble Tarot card reading forms the beginning of each historical setting. By contrast, the modern-day action sets the stage for the drama at the end of the film and shows how that action is connected to the events of years past. This non-linear manner of storytelling works surprisingly well.

Needless to say, the movie's score is expertly woven into the narrative, with violin solos by former child prodigy (and now 31-year-old virtuoso) Joshua Bell. Moreover, the scenes showing the violin being played don't look dubbed, probably because most of the actors (even twelve-year-old Christoph Koncz) are also real musicians.

Perhaps the only flaw in this fine film is the bodice-ripping number set in England. Its pretensions quickly become ridiculous and rival the subtlety of a Victoria's Secret catalog. However, the rest of the movie remains sincere, intriguing, and well worth the price of admission.

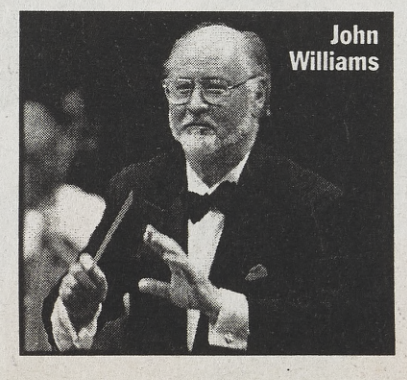
THE RED VIOLIN plays at the Tower Theater. Check out the official movie Web site for production information and film clips at www.redviolin.com.

Channel 6: Evening at Pops

Evening at Pops kicks off its thirteenth season on PBS this summer with a wide array of musical entertainment. Celebrating his fifth year as conductor, Keith Lockhart carries on the series' variety show tradition, leading the Boston Pops Orchestra and an illustrious line up of guest artists in a spectacular mix of classical compositions, Broadway show tunes, film music, dance numbers, and even a bit of the Bard.

One of the longest-running programs on PBS, Evening at Pops launched shortly after the Public Broadcasting Service Began operation in 1969. "The heat was on to include a broad entertainment show, kind of a public television version of the variety show, hosted by a world class orchestra instead of a pit band," Cosel notes.

John Williams assumed the mantle of conductor in 1980, building on Fiedler's musical foundation by introducing Pops audiences to his own musical favorites, including his compositions for such films as "Star Wars", "Raiders of the Lost Arks",



John Williams

"Schindler's List", "Amistad", and now, "The Phantom Menace", among others. "When we joined the Boston Pops Orchestra, the series evolved, and we were much more likely to find contemporary pop and jazz musicians coming to Pops," Cosel observes. "Williams began adding new music to the repertoire that had never been there before,

Nathan Lane

much of it from Hollywood and also from the Big Band era and the great American songbook."

Current Pops conductor Keith Lockhart lends a renewed sense of energy to the series "He brings a sense of today's various music tastes to the Pops - you put anything in front of him and he can do it. And it's and advantage that he grew up watching Evening at Pops." Adds coordinating producer Susan Dangel, "Keith brings an amazing versatile energy to the Pops. He's willing to try anything and he has great capacity to adapt to a variety of styles."

In Evening at Pops' thirty-year history, the series' guest roster has overflowed with performers whom executive producer William Cosel

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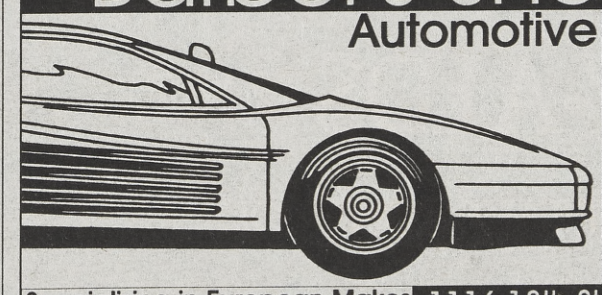

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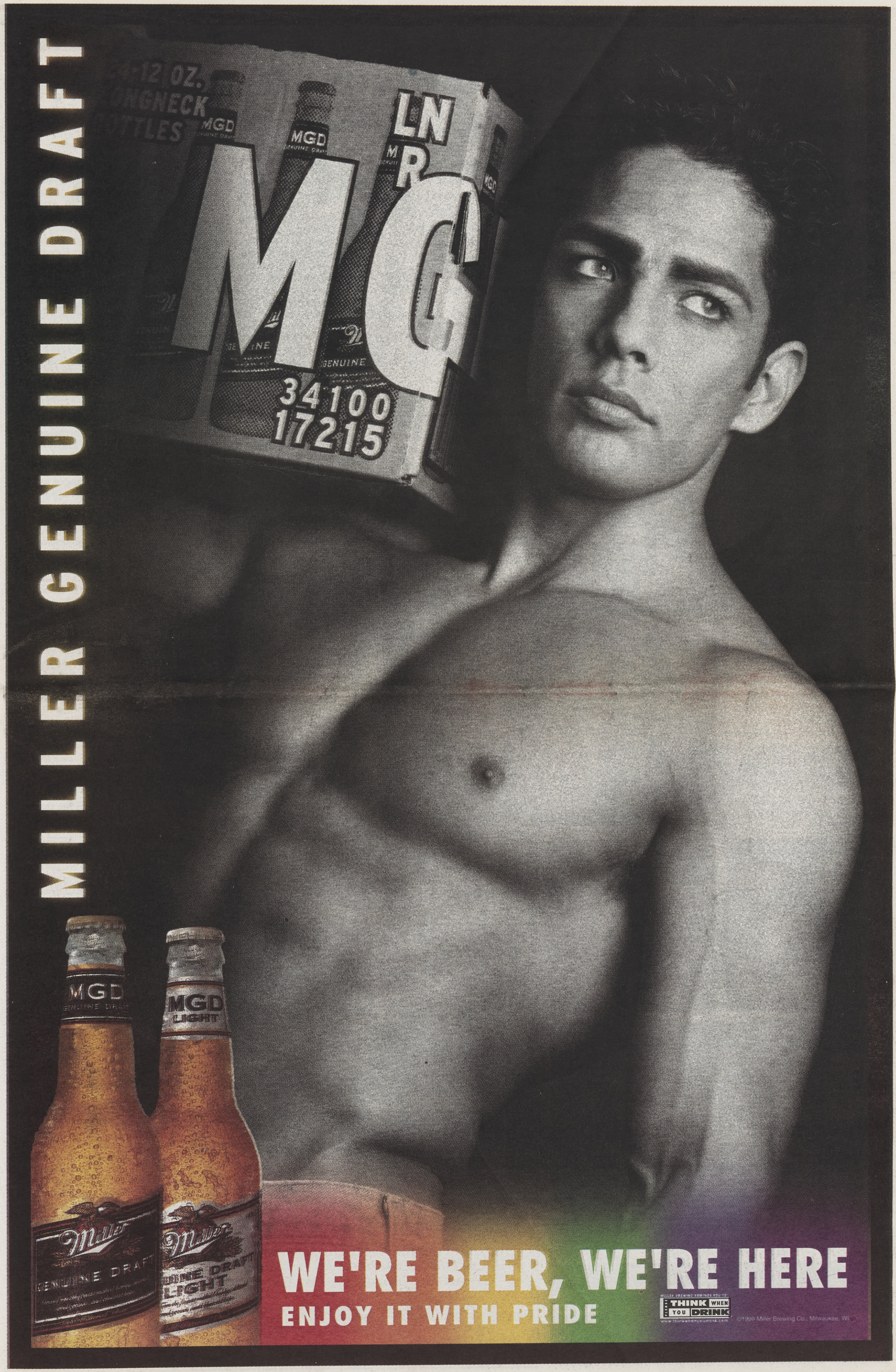
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Hager began her fishing career at the age of 7 in Texas with a close family friend. When he died, he bequeathed Sandy his fishing gear along with his boat. Hager, now in her sixties, was born and raised in Illinois where she received her master's degree in Biological Research Science at Western Illinois University.

Sandy Hager with a couple little tadpoles!!

Hawaii's Queer Legacy

By Matthew Link
MGW/Staff

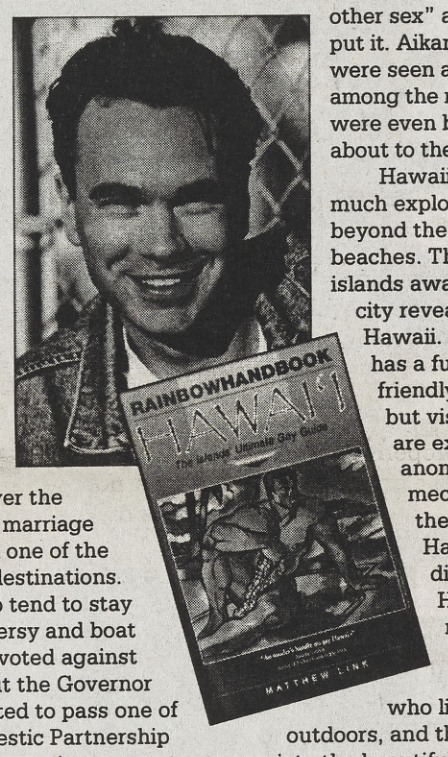
Hawaii is one of those places that is almost part of our collective unconscious. Most of us grew up hearing the allure of the word, with echoes of hula girls, palm trees, and gentle waves on a black sand beach in its soft sound. It's a place that always lingers in the back of our minds, like a sanctuary patiently waiting to be called upon.

As with other fantasy locations of the earth, the reality of modern-day Hawaii is a different place than the one of our dreams. Yet, despite the burgeoning metropolis of Honolulu, decades of mass commercialism, and the sheer number of tourists to the island chain, Hawaii is still Hawaii. She continues to bestow her incredible beauty and awesome energy. Nothing has changed the gentle majesty of Haleakala Crater on Maui, or the sheer jagged cliffs of the Na Pali Coastline on Kauai, or the spewing lava craters on the Big Island. The multi-ethnic population still smiles and waves at one another, the sea is still clear and fresh, and the land is still primordial and fascinating. It is a place where any gay or lesbian would feel like they at last found home.

Despite the recent brouhaha over the defeat of same-sex marriage here, Hawaii is still one of the most gay-friendly destinations. Hawaii voters, who tend to stay away from controversy and boat rocking, may have voted against "gay marriage", but the Governor himself has dedicated to pass one of the strongest Domestic Partnership laws. Discrimination against gays at the workplace or acts of violence against gays is almost unheard of on the islands.

This isn't surprising when you consider the Hawaiians' history of dealing with same-sex issues. While interviewing many scholars, hula experts, and kupuna (respected elders), a picture of gay Hawaii history looked incredible to modern eyes.

Same-sex relations were not just tolerated in old Hawaii, they were actually sanctioned. Aikane is a word that nowadays means good friends, but in old Hawaii it meant a close, brotherly, sexual love between members of the same sex. Aikane relationships were well documented among the Ali'i, or Hawaiian royalty. When the first Europeans aboard Captain Cook's vessel hit the islands in the late 1700s, they made many aghast reports of these homosexual relationships: "a shocking inversion of the laws of nature, they bestow all those affections upon them that were intended for the other sex" as one sailor put it. Aikane relations were seen as honorable among the royalty, and were even boasted about to the Europeans.



Hawaii merits much exploration beyond the resorts and beaches. The outer islands away from the city reveal the true Hawaii. Honolulu has a fun and friendly gay scene, but visitors who are expecting an anonymous homo mecca when they come to Hawaii will be disappointed. Hawaii is really made for the adventurous who like the outdoors, and those who appreciate the beautiful isolation of the islands. Of course, Hawaii couldn't be more perfect for the queer honeymooning couple as well. Many local businesses are set up to specifically execute your same-sex union, be it on a beach, on horses, or in a helicopter.

On Kauai, there's a gay man who conducts nude mud tours through the Alakai Swamp! Also on Kauai, the local gay group gets together every week for a social beach bonfire, where tons of gays show up to hang out and "talk story" (neatly filling the absence of a real gay bar on the island.)

On Maui, there is a red sand beach where you can nude sunbathe, and a lesbian-owned surf school that swears you can catch a wave on the first lesson. Maui also offers over a dozen local gay B&Bs and vacation rentals, as does the Big Island. Oahu, Maui and the Big Island also sport gay hiking groups. Most people don't realize Hawaii has everything from queer kayak trips, motorcycle tours, and dive companies, to gay-run wellness retreats.

The deepest respect that Hawaii residents have for each other extends to every visitor that encounters the islands, whatever sexuality they may be. What else could you expect from a culture that reveres its sexuality enough to create the highly sensual "hula"?

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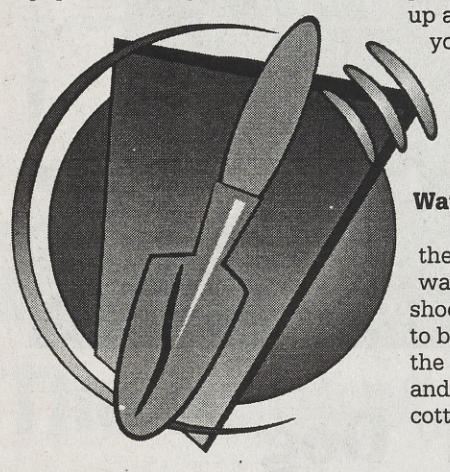
Golf Bag for the Garden

An old golf bag and cart can be used as a tool holder for garden equipment. The plastic tubes that once held golf clubs can keep small-handled tools organized. Zipper pockets can be used for other gardening supplies. The large wheels roll easily across the lawn, and carts fold for easy storage.



Tape the Tough Tasks

Use a video camera the next time you have to fix a complex piece of household equipment. Set up a tripod and record yourself as you tackle the project. If you get stuck when it's time to put everything back together, you can watch the tape to give yourself a reminder.

Watering While You're Away

Take a cotton shoelace, cut off the ends, and soak it in a bowl of water. Push one end of the shoelace into the soil deep enough to be near the plant's roots. Leave the other end in the water bowl, and water will travel through the cotton to the plant.

Stripped Screw Solution

To remove a striped Phillips head screw: Cut a slot in the head with a hacksaw or the wondrous "Drimel" and back the screw out with a flat-blade screwdriver.

Restick That Stamp

Rub the stamp against a moistened, gummed envelope flap to make the stamp sticky again, or a drop of egg white, or simple white glue - whatever you do, don't use tape! It will be returned!

Before Painting

Coat locks and hardware with petroleum jelly before painting doors. Drips will wipe off easily so there's no need to remove the hardware.

Birdy Bungee

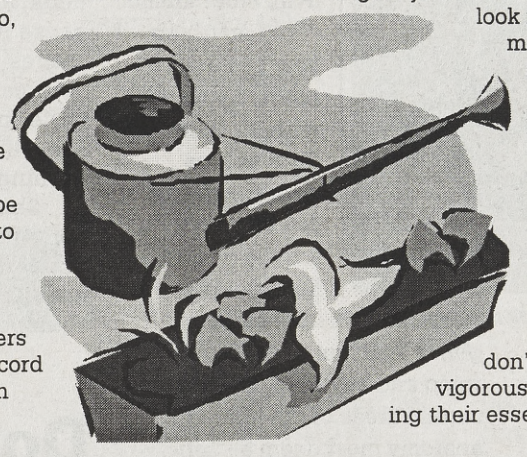
High-hanging bird feeders can be hung with a bungee cord so you can fill and clean with ease.

Take Your Herbs to the Beach

by Christopher Rizo

All it takes is sand to make your herb garden thrive and look fabulous for months- a one inch layer of large-grained sand to be precise. Light colored sand reflects sunlight and gives the Mediterranean herbs such as lavender and rosemary the intense sunlight they need. The sand look also gives the garden a tidy, manicured look.

Unlike organic mulches, sand does nor hold moisture so it won't encourage the root and crown rots that can cause a quick end to herbs. Beach sand is too fine to give your herbs the drainage they crave, so look for a course version like mason's sand at the hardware store.

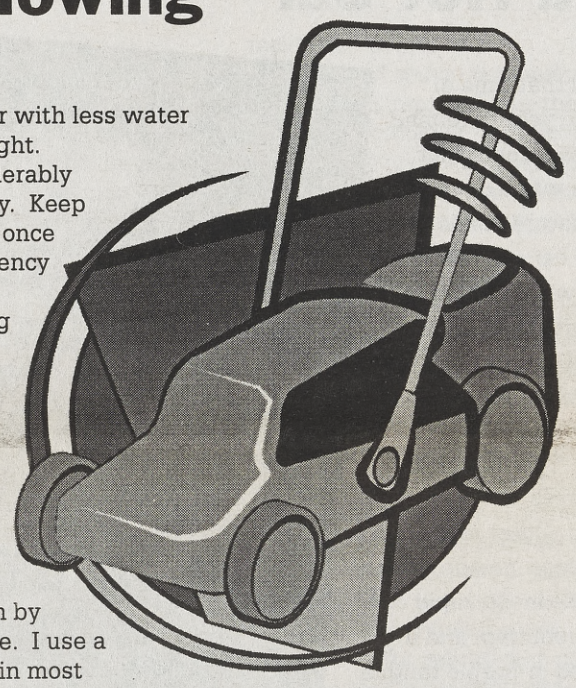


It is recommend that you put a +-inch layer of sand on top of the potting soil if you grow herbs in containers. On the ground or in containers, sand mulch helps reduce the amount of soil that splashes back up on the herbs when it rains or when you water. Your herbs will stay clean so you don't have to wash them as vigorously when harvesting; maintaining their essential oils and flavor.

Just Say No to Mowing and Watering

Your lawn can get through a dry summer with less water than you may think, if you manage it right.

Mow Less. Grass grows at a considerably slower rate when water is in short supply. Keep an eye on how fast the grass is growing; once you notice a slowdown, cut your mowing frequency from every week to every eight or more days.



Keep Cool. Mow in the morning or evening hours. You and your lawn will suffer from less heat exhaustion.

Cut Sharp. Make sure that your mower blades are properly sharpened to avoid tearing the ends of the grass blades. A bad cut not only stresses the grass but also causes the blade's tips to turn brown.

Go Slow with Fertilizer. When grass is suffering from drought, adding fertilizer makes matters worse. Reduce the stress on your lawn by letting it rest instead of pushing it to grow more. I use a slow-release form of nitrogen, like those found in most organic fertilizers.

Fast Ways to Fill Flower Beds

by Christopher Rizo

High-yield gardeners hate bare soil. I found that these easy methods for ensuring that every square inch of your garden remains productive all year.

Keep a bag of onion sets in your refrigerator all summer. Periodically plans some here and there in the garden for a constant supply of scallions.

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Preventing Behavioral Issues in Pets

Every chronic behavioral problem begins with one single episode that the owner chooses to either ignore or to excuse rather than resolve. From then on it becomes easier to ignore or make excuses for the second, third, and successive episodes, too. The best way to prevent chronic behavioral problems from escalating to life-threatening proportions involves treating problems as they arise. Negative behaviors in pups or kittens that owners can eliminate in a matter of weeks will take months or years to resolve in an older animal.

If anything your pet does to bothers you, deal with it. Don't dismiss it as normal behavior if you don't consider it to be normal. For example, Adam and Chuck's beagle's genes lead him to sniff everything and anything, including certain areas of the human anatomy most deem as "private." Maggie decided that, normal beagle behavior or not, she would not allow her dog to goose anyone. Nina, on the other hand, let her dog Honey nose-search others because "that is what dogs do," even though she deplored the behavior.

Equally important, when you treat a chronic behavior problem, do so because you believe it is the best thing to do for you and your pet. Don't treat the problem because the law, your neighbor, or because your cousin says you should; don't treat the problem if because the animal will die if you don't. Although all of those reasons are terribly compelling, nothing but a secure desire to raise a well-behaved pet will generate the commitment necessary to resolve the long-standing problems.

Pets Suffer from Allergies, Too

Just as you are bothered by irritants in the air, known as allergens, your pet may also be suffering. Allergy problems among dogs are especially common. Our allergic reactions usually invoke sneezing fits, running eyes, and wheezing, whereas in dogs, allergies usually cause itching and rashes. To minimize your canine friend's suffering this allergy season try regularly bathing your pet.

Shampooing your pet will provide temporary relief from his discomfort. Use a shampoo for dogs. Lather your pet and allow the shampoo to remain on your pet foe 15-20 minutes. Rinse well with warm tap water. Next, mix one tablespoon of bath oil (Alpha Keri) with two quarts of warm tap water. Pour the mixture over the dog's coat, avoiding its eyes. Let your pet's coat dry naturally.

Don't Leave Your "Cool" Dog in a Hot Car

It's that time of the year to remind pet owners that on warm days, the temperature inside of a parked car can reach 120° F within minutes even with the windows partially open! Death or irreversible brain damage can occur quickly. The first sign of heat stress is heavy panting. Other signs of heat stress include glazed eyes, dizziness, rapid pulse, vomiting, and a deep red or purple tongue. In the final stages of heat stress, the animal suffer convulsions and unconsciousness.

In heatstroke cases, high fever must be reduced rapidly to save the animal's life and prevent brain damage. Body temperatures of 106° F and above can only be tolerated for a few minutes before irreversible damage occurs to the nervous system. *What to do if heatstroke occur in a dog:*

1. **Gradually immerse the dog in cool water if possible, or**
2. **Spray animal with cold water from a garden hose.**
3. **Apply ice packs or cold towels to the head and neck.**
4. **If conscious, let your pet drink small amount of water or lick ice cubes but don't force your animal to drink.**

Above all, treat the dog promptly and take it to a veterinarian as soon as possible.

If you see a dog locked in a car with the windows rolled up, or an animal in heat distress, please contact the Sacramento SPCA (383-7387 ext.9115).

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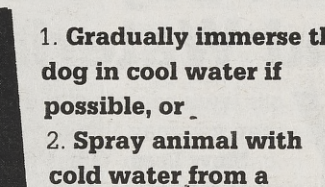
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MUSIC REVIEW

The Lady Margrit Sings the Blues

by Robert Hixon & Robert Holliday

True Margrit opened the show for Sparrows Point on Saturday June 19th at Joseph's Town and Country. The lady has a Rhythm and Blues sound and a very entertaining style all her own. Musically and lyrically, Margrit puts on a very enjoyable show.

Her lyrics are clear and come from the heart.

Like any female performer in the music industry, she can hold her own in whatever type of music she chooses, be it R&B or Rock. Whether or not she is doing her own thing or belting them out with the boys, True Margrit has a style all her own. The band, Sparrows Point, adds a new flavor to rock and roll. Lead singer Sean Sip, has an awesome style both vocally and lyrically. Thrash, Grunge, and Rock and Roll have a new face. Sean and his best friend, Kenny Stoned, the band's lead and rhythm guitarist, as well as background vocalist, both come from Sparrows Point, Baltimore. Each member adds his or her own special talents to the band with Chris McGrew on drums, Carter on bass and last but not least, True Margrit Eichler on keyboards-synth-piano and background vocals.

Unique and diverse by any standards, Red Hot Chili Peppers, ZOMBIE, Alice Cooper, look out, Sparrows Point is taking over.

MGW ESSAYS

The Racket of Openness

By Christopher Rizo

Once upon a time, our "grief counselors and consolers" were known as priests, friends, ministers, and lovers. We are much more sophisticated today; or so we think. Rather than be consoled by loved-ones and friends, we now have a modern improvement: secular, credentialed, self-assured grief counselors who come clad in the trappings of modern medicine and psychology.

Well, there is no good evidence in my estimation that this "grief work"— talking out one's recollections and feelings about an experienced tragedy to one of those "experts"— makes any difference to the psychic outcome of the bereaved. Why then is "grief work" so popular?

The grief counseling business lives off the modern dogma that venting and openness, talking it out and letting it out, is good for the soul. Is it really? We did, after all, have 3,000 years of well-recorded human history before the advent of the grief counselor. Were people then more psychically disabled by tragedy (of which there certainly was more— routine infant mortality, death in childbirth, vulnerability to nature) then there are today?

Or go back just fifty years, to a lost America where reticence and stoicism— the silent bearing of suffering— were valued. Today everything is said, shown, exposed for all to see. Does the era of Jerry Springer harbor less psychosis than that of Gary Cooper? Do we truly experience less of its flamboyant manifestations, say, and mass murder by grinning high schoolers?

The answer is quite the opposite. This does not, of course prove that a culture venting every human emotion, expressing every impulse causes Columbine. It does, however, prove that contrary to the contemporary faith in the therapeutic value of self-expression and release, a venting culture does not make Columbines less common.

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Am I against openness? No. There is a powerful argument to be made for openness: One should let people do and say and vent as they wish, because its freedom is a value in and of itself. But that is not enough for the advocates of openness itself. They embrace— they demand — openness on the grounds of mental health: that show and display without taboo is healthy; that reticence and repression, whether societal or individual, is a breeding ground for pathology.

The argument is pure rubbish. It is nothing more than a modern gloss on the medieval theory of humors, which attributed illness to imbalances among various fluids building-up inside the body.

Freud of course popularized the notion of repression as the root of all pathology. Interestingly enough, the good Viennese doctor found his greatest, most gullible audience here. The prestige of repression as father of all morbidity reached such a point that Susan Sontag once had to write a book attacking the widespread notion that cancer was caused by psychic repression.

We no longer believe that nonsense. Instead we put our faith in a closely related absurdity: the inevitability of psychic harm from not talking about and thus not releasing one's inner feelings. Only a society under the spell of this belief could descend to the primitivism of the "recovered memory syndrome," in which the shamanistic therapists exorcise invisible, demonic memories.

Within such a culture, grief counseling is blindly accepted by a well-meaning public as a necessary response to America's Columbines as necessary as ambulances and SWAT teams. We deem it unhealthy, even primitive, to bear our grief as our ancestors did, among friends, family, and clergy. We crave, instead, direction from a new priesthood: secular masters of the public airing of private sorrow.

In this secular age, we have substituted one form of ritual for another. And what a paltry substitute it is.

LOCAL NEWS CONTINUED

TEMPLE

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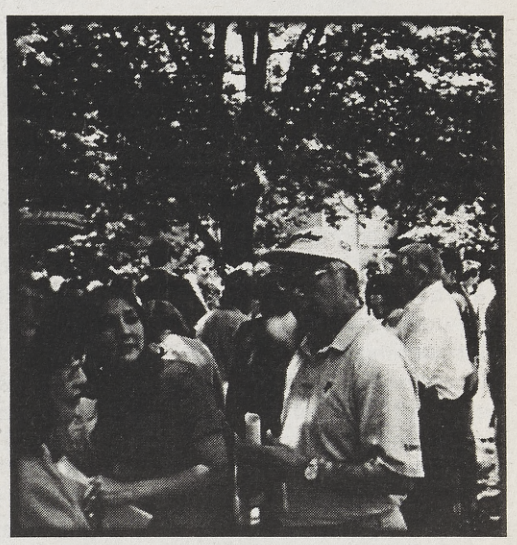
a lesbian marriage, a moment of love and acceptance, and then have to be faced with the knowledge that there lurks pathetic, contemptible hatreds against you, your neighbors, and the wider communities in Sacramento. It is too beautiful a city to be marred by the hateful. I hope they are found and speedily brought to justice.

- Caro Clark

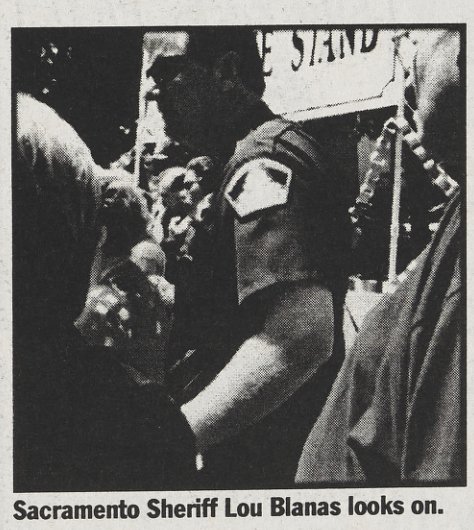


City Councilman Jimmy Yee consoles the community.

"There is not just the Jews in Sacramento that are affected by these bombings; there is not a category of group in this world that is not hated by SOMEBODY. There are people who hate based on race, and there are people who hate based on sexuality; there are people who hate based on beliefs about topics, and there are people who hate people of other religions. There are Jews in this world who hate people of other races; there are African Americans in this world who hate people of other religions or races; people fear the different, and some choose to hate based on that fear."

- Jane Churchon

Gathered across the street from Temple B'Nai Israel, is a Community United Against Hate.



Sacramento Sheriff Lou Blanas looks on.

"I plan to phone the NAACP to urge the local chapter to issue public statement condemning these bombings. We, my good sister, are under attack. I will issue a part II of Ebony Archives Update also condemning these bombings. I also wish to support any effort by the Jewish sisters and brothers who helped us and continue to help us in the struggle for equality and civil rights. THESE BASTARDS MUST BE STOPPED!"

– Carmen Fortes

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Relationship Enhancement

Part 1

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Most people whom I've interviewed state that their primary interest in a relationship is good communication. And most people have no difficulty in communicating agreement. In fact, shared interests and values are what draws couples together and forms the basis for their bonding. Commonalties help create the easy and relaxed feelings of togetherness. Disagreements are often experienced as extremely negative events that break the feeling of togetherness, and leave the two feeling like opponents rather than friends or lovers.

But disagreeing can actually be the source of increased intimacy and knowledge of the other. The key to handling arguments is an openly stated respect for the other's opinions, feelings, attitudes, perceptions and sensations. We can "agree to disagree." Individuated personalities, that is, people who have developed their own tastes, perceptions and lifestyles, have no need to relate to someone one who tries to be a clone. Creativity in a relationship may take place in exploring the differences. In exploring your partner's differences you are discovering his or her uniqueness as an individual, which is the newness that he or she brings into your world.

Too much agreement can be a problem in itself. The stronger personality begins to feel shadowed by someone who has no ideas or strong feelings about anything. The one who "goes along," begins to feel lost and overly dependent on the other. This unspoken situation creates a tension that can drive people apart without an awareness of "what went wrong."

This series will explore some basic rules for exploring differences while maintaining togetherness. All are techniques proven to be successful. At first, some of these may seem too formal or rigid. But establishing rules for creative competition brings order into chaotic situations; establishes a sense of personal safety and predictability; and can establish clear communication of precisely how you differ, without creating feelings of being discounted or put-down.

The key consideration is to establish a physically safe place. The selection of a setting is one which requires an attitude of mutual consideration and care. Ideally, the couple should select a neutral room in their home or in each home, if they are not living together. Public rooms like living room or kitchen might be the best choices. The bedroom is for romance or sleep. Passionate arguments, especially if unfinished, can make these uses of the bedroom difficult.

It is very important that couples agree not to argue while driving. First, if the driver becomes upset, you may be putting your life in danger.

Dr. Joanne Marrow speaks at "Lionness Books" on SEX (& the sexual harrassment suit against her.)

Second, the changing impressions of the road or street, can be distracters from the issues of disagreement. Thirdly, arguments should be carried on "eye to eye." Sitting next to one another in a car will not allow for this.

Couples should develop the skill of "shelving" an argument for the appropriate time and place. If something important comes up while driving, or in the company of friends with whom you do not want to share this intimacy, both should feel free to suggest, "Let's get into this later at your place (or, at home)." Each person should then take responsibility for his or her own "attitude readjustment."

To "shelve it" means to drop the issue and the feelings which accompany it for the time being. Pouting or silently fuming should be set aside until the time and place for the argument. Each one should take responsibility for "pulling his or her Self together" or "snapping out of it." A date has been set for the argument; both should be responsible for keeping that date and snapping into it then. Don't use this arrangement to avoid a confrontation. Keep the date. If you believe that you are unable to "snap out of it" or "shift gears," you should be aware that this is a skill you can learn. And if you are concerned with holding up your end of a relationship and with being a caring person, you should learn this skill. Meditation classes, progressive relaxation classes, imagery conditioning classes, or individual therapy may be resources for you. Be a wise consumer and state the skill you wish to learn.

Once the place has been set, the time must be considered. Don't start something as he is adjusting his tie right before leaving for work. Don't bring it up as soon as she walks in the door. In the first case, the person is at a disadvantage because he is mentally preparing for the job. And if the second case is established, she will dread coming home. Agree to find a quiet moment which will allow you the hours to air and share your differences. Ideally, add enough time to enjoy something you both like after the argument is over. For many people this may mean putting the argument off until a weekend.

As the time passes before the date for the argument, use it in a relaxed way. Avoid anxious feelings by thinking about different ways which most clearly make your point. Think of examples of situations or other people, stories or movies that might illustrate your perception. Remember you are planning to share something of yourself, not to engage in battle.

The next article will explore some ground rules of the argument itself.

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HIV Transmission and Heterosexuals

The presence of a high HIV viral load together with positive viral isolation in culture, are associated with increased risk of heterosexual transmission of HIV, according to Spanish investigators.

Dr. Jose Alcami of Hospital 12 de Octubre in Madrid examined the virologic parameters that may influence the risk of heterosexual transmission. Although heterosexual transmission is the primary mode of HIV infection worldwide, the associated risk factors are still poorly understood.

Dr. Alcami's group evaluated 38 discordant heterosexual couples, who despite intensive counseling and behavioral intervention, continued to have unprotected sex. Both the index cases (HIV-infected) and the partners (HIV-negative) were evaluated every 6 months.

HIV transmission occurred in 10 of the 38 couples. The investigators observed significant differences in mean viral loads between the transmitting couples and the non-transmitting couples.

Based on the findings, they conclude that "...viral parameters of the index cases, such as viral load and a positive isolation in culture, must be considered as risk factors for the heterosexual transmission of HIV."

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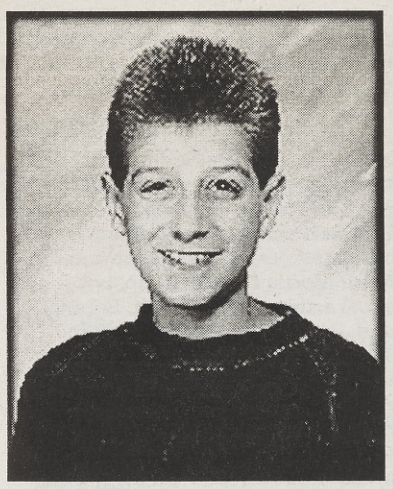
On the HIV front...

By Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Warning about home HIV tests...
Using an HIV test sold over the internet could give a person a false-negative result, warns the Federal Trade Commission.. Testing by the FTC shows that, when a known HIV-infected sample was used, the internet tests reported that the sample was not infected. Internet advertisements often say the kits are cleared by various health groups. However, the Food and Drug Administration has approved only Home Access Health's Home Access Express home test kit.

New CARES Director...
Sacramento's CARES clinic, which marks its 10th anniversary this year, announces the appointment of James Green as new executive director. Green, former chief financial officer for Radiology Medical Group in Sacramento, replaces Robert Caulk. In his previous position, Green oversaw operations of a radiology practice that included 19 physicians as well as 120 other employees. CARES offers medical, dental, pharmaceutical, and social services for people with HIV disease.



"The Ryan White CARES Act was named for the Indiana teen who died of AIDS in April 1990."

Ryan White Act adds new metro area...
For the first time in three years, a new area (Norfolk, Virginia) will be added to the current list of 49 eligible areas entitled to special funding because of having more than 2,000 reported cases of AIDS. Over 90% of Californians living with AIDS reside in one of this state's nine eligible areas (Sacramento, Los Angeles, Oakland, Orange County, Riverside/San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose and Santa Rosa). The Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act is the Federal Government's largest discretionary HIV-related service program, with last year's appropriation set at $1.2 billion. The Act, signed into law in August 1990, and reauthorized through the year 2000, is second only to Medicaid in its overall level of financial support for HIV-related primary medical care, pharmaceutical drug assistance, and support services.

In anticipation of Congressional action when another reauthorization of the Act is needed next year, Congress will begin holding hearings on the status of the country's AIDS response program, and discussing changes needed in the structure of the current program. Hearings specific to re-authorization of the Ryan White Act would then begin in the winter of 1999 in hopes of legislation being introduced by January 2000. Community advocates say they're confident that Congress and the Administration now understand the essential role the program plays in the lives of tens of thousands of individuals living with HIV/AIDS nationwide.

The CARE Act was named after Ryan White to honor his courageous battle not only with AIDS, but against the discrimination aimed toward him and others with HIV. Ryan was asked to leave his school, his home was the target of a shooting, and yet he continued to speak publicly to bring visibility to the way many with HIV were treated. The Indiana teen contracted HIV through blood products used to treat his hemophilia, and died in April 1990. In addition to the CARE Act named in his memory, his mother Jeanne, together with entertainer Phil Donahue, started the Ryan White Foundation in 1991. The Foundation, now in a financial crisis that may warrant its closure, distributes merchandise and educational information in Ryan's name.

Phone cards for AIDS awareness...
In an effort to supply AIDS prevention information to people who would otherwise have little exposure to such messages, the California Dept of Health Services will over 125,000 calling cards (in both English and Spanish) that provide 10 minutes of free long-distance time -- but first require users to listen to a 15-second AIDS prevention message.

L.A. man sentenced for murders...
A man who admitted to killing 5 gay men in Los Angeles because he thought it would stop the spread of AIDS was convicted last month to life without parole. The 35-year-old went with the men to their homes, strangled them, and left in their cars. It's thought that he may have killed more than the 5 times he admits to.

Brazil urges sex education for preschoolers...
The coordinator of the Brazilian Health Ministry's AIDS prevention program is encouraging sex education for children, beginning at age. He says early education would limit the spread of HIV in teenagers and reduce the number of unwanted pregnancies. While the idea was endorsed by many at the medical meeting where it was presented, it will likely spur controversy in the Roman Catholic nation. Brazil has recorded more than 155,000 AIDS cases, but the actual number is thought to be much higher.

Oral Ganciclovir no more likely to cause resistance...
Researchers have concluded that cytomegalovirus (CMV, most often associated with retinitis that can cause blindness unless caught immediately) does not become significantly more resistant through the use of orally administered ganciclovir, as opposed to intravenous administration. This is great news due to the great inconvenience of administering the drug thru an IV line, versus the ease of taking it by mouth.

AIDS on the rise among over-50s...
With increasing divorce rates and longevity, the HIV rate among senior Americans is growing. Currently, one in 10 new infections in the U.S. is a person over 50. However, in places with high concentrations of elderly, such as Florida, one in six AIDS cases is a person over 50. In response to this, Florida is conducting safe sex education seminars at senior day care centers, hoping to re-educate those who grew up before explicit sex education was common.

$30M research center wants AIDS vaccine by 2007...
President Clinton recently announced the new $30 million Dale and Betty Bumpers Vaccine Center, located at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md. It will be staffed by 100 medical researchers and will emphasize boosting basic research, as well as speeding up vaccine trials in humans. The center's director said that even an AIDS vaccine that was only 50 percent effective could help fight HIV. Scheduled to be completed next year, the center will also work to find vaccines for other diseases.

Fewer hospitalizations continue...
The Centers for Disease Control says rates of hospitalization for Americans with HIV are continuing to decline. There were 71,000 fewer hospitalizations in 1997 than in 1995, a drop of 30 percent. Those who were hospitalized stayed for a shorter time, resulting in nearly 900,000 fewer total days of hospital care in 1997 than in 1995.

Volunteers not hurrying to test vaccine...
VaxGen, which received approval from the FDA to begin human testing of its AIDS vaccine a year ago, is having trouble signing up volunteers for its U.S. trials. Searching for a total of 5,000 HIV-negative high-risk participants, the company has still only enrolled about half that number, but says it expects to complete the process within several months.

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Morality Gone Wrong

by Christopher Rizo
MGW Staff

The House of Representatives prescribed two tablets of religious scripture for the nation's ills. Voting 248-180, the House said (despite contrary court rulings) that states could allow the Ten Commandments to be posted in public schools and other government buildings.

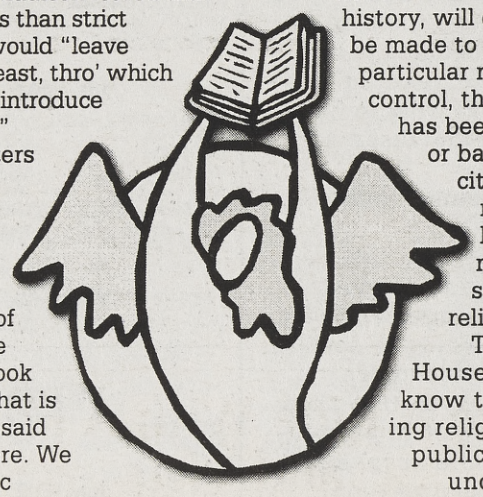
Many people might think, What's wrong with that? Who could possibly object?

Let's hear how James Madison might have objected. Writing late in life, that Founding Father worried that he had not guarded diligently enough in his own presidency against creeping efforts to establish a state religion at the expense of others' faiths or lack therof. Madison feared that anything less than strict separation would "leave crevices at least, thro' which bigotry may introduce persecution."

Supporters of Ten Commandments displays might feel any suggestion of bigotry to be unfair. But look closely at what is really being said and done here. We have a public school, attended by students of different faiths, or none. One day the Ten Commandments appear on the wall at school. There are three versions of the commandments, so already we have a point of religious friction where before there wasn't one. Let's say it's the Catholic version; couldn't Protestants and Jews grumble with reason that "the Catholics are taking over the school"? And never mind anyone who happens to be a Muslim, Hindu, or devotee of his or her own private religion — which is allowed, you know, under the Constitution.

But the Ten Commandments help us instill morality, supporters say. Yes, and schools can and should teach about the Ten Commandments, about moral questions, about character. There are ways to do that without imposing a religion on everyone.

Thus through good intentions can unfairness, intolerance and the potential for persecution and civil strife enter a republic that, by law, from its very founding, was to remain non-religious. Under the First Amendment, the United States is supposed to be a nation where no one, despite all the ancient religious persecutions down through history, will ever again be made to feel that a particular religion is in control, that a religion has been imposed or banned, that a citizen must or must not believe in a religion or something religious.



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Those 248 House members know that injecting religion into public school is unconstitutional. They know that, as the Supreme Court ruled in Stone v. Graham, "If posted copies of the Ten Commandments are to have any effect at all, it will be to induce the schoolchildren to read, meditate upon, perhaps to venerate and obey, the Commandments. However desirable this might be as a matter of private devotion, it is not a permissible state objective under the Establishment Clause." With this vote, the House has chosen to worship political expediency over constitutional principle.

LOCAL NEWS CONTINUED

Citizen Complaint Monitor

City Manager Robert Thomas appointed Donald Casimere to the newly-created position of Citizen Complaint Monitor for the City of Sacramento.

Casimere comes to Sacramento with a great deal of experience in the field of citizen complaint monitoring and process. In 1982, he assisted the City of San Francisco in creating and establishing the Office of Citizen Complaints.

Casimere will take up his duties in August, 1999, and will work out of the City Manager's Office.

Membership Drive Opened For Historical Society

The Gay and Lesbian Historical Society of Northern California (GLHS) is holding a membership drive thorough July. Timed to coincide with the Gay and Lesbian Film Festival and Gay Pride celebrations, the GLHS seeks to double its membership over the course of its drive.

The purpose of the GLHS is to collect, preserve, and promote an active knowledge of the history of sexual diversity in Northern California and beyond. Since its founding in 1985, the GLHS sponsors exhibitions, public programs, and internships, and maintains an extensive, public archival collection of GLBT materials. Info: (415) 777-5455, or www.glhs.org.

Lambda Letters Updates Vital Advocacy Tool

Boyce Hinman, Administrator of the Lambda Letters Project, announced that the Project has revised the Legislative Update List on its web page. He explained that the list is the most comprehensive, easily accessible list of California legislation affecting the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered community or those living with or affected by HIV/AIDS. The list also includes bills of concern to women and people of color.

The list is divided into four categories:

- HIV/AIDS
- GLBT
- Person of color
- Women

Each bill listing contains a bill number, a brief description of the bill's purpose, the current status of the bill, and the position of Lambda Letters on the bill. The bill number is a clickable link which takes the viewer to documents containing the current status of the bill, an actual copy, legislative analysis, and reports on how legislators have voted on the bill. It is possible to print each of the documents. The list is updated twice a month.

The Lambda Letters Legislative Update List would be of interest to individuals curious about the bills that may affect their lives, to media who need legislative information for their publications, and to advocacy groups who need current information on bills that relate to their areas of concern. Everyone is invited to use this free service.

Info: www.lambdaletters.org, under Legislative Update. (916) 956-6851, or LambdaLP@aol.com.

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men gathered, it seemed, chiefly to be gay with other gay people. In the evening, a hundred or so lesbians and gays gathered to assert our rights, to plan action, and to raise money to support gay-friendly candidates and to defeat anti-gay efforts like the vicious Knight initiative.

What our community needs is more of both. What we can now afford are multiple paths toward the common objective. Not everyone needs to come to CAPPAC dinners, and, indeed, not everyone can afford to. And, equally, not everyone needs to wander around the park noshing on burritos and window-shopping at booths selling, or promoting, everything from incense to tit rings. Now that we are slip sliding toward the main stream of American life we are entitled to our carefree festivals and our hard core political activism. Vive les differences.

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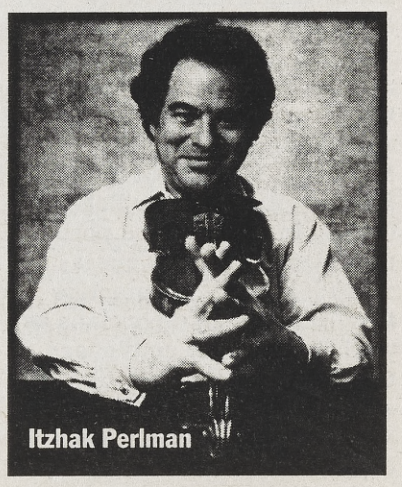

Itzhak Perlman

drummer Buddy Rich; dancer Ray Bolger; cabaret singer Bobby Short; jazz trumpeters Dizzy Gillespie and Wynton Marsalis; singer Sammy Davis, Jr.; Broadway Battle, and Dawn Upshaw; country singers Johny Cash, Chet Atkins, Loretta Lynn, and Chrystal Gayle; jazz pianists George Shearing, Dave Brubeck, and Marcus Roberts; dancers from Boston Ballet and the Mark Morris Dance Group; pop vocal artists John Denver, Bonnie and John Raitt, Aretha Franklin, James Taylor, and k.d. lang; violin virtuoso Itzhak Perlman; folk legend Arlo Guthrie; director/ choreographer Stanley Donen; even the French Chef herself, Julia Child; and *Sesame Street's* own Big Bird, to name just a few.

In 1881, Henry Lee Higginson, the founder of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, wrote his wish to present in Boston "concerts of a lighter kind of music." The first Boston Pops concert in 1885 represented the fulfillment of his dream. Called the "Promenade Concerts" until 1900, they combined light classical music, tunes from current hits of the musical theater, and an occasional novelty number. Allowing for some changes of taste over the course of a century, the early programs were remarkably similar to Pops program s of today.

The history of the Boston Pops was for many years linked with the name Arthur Fiedler, who led the Orchestra for fifty years and redefined its role in popular American culture. Included in that legacy was the start of the Pops' proud and illustrious recording history, the introduction of the Orchestra to a nationwide television audience through the PBS series EVENING AT POPS, and the creation of the Orchestra's free outdoor Esplanade Concerts, which continue to take place on the banks of the Charles River. First held in 1929, the free concerts are more popular now than ever, last year's Boston Pops July 4 celebration drew a record crowd over 500,000 people, and this year the Orchestra will mark the seventieth anniversary of the concert, which now stands as a national Independence Day tradition.

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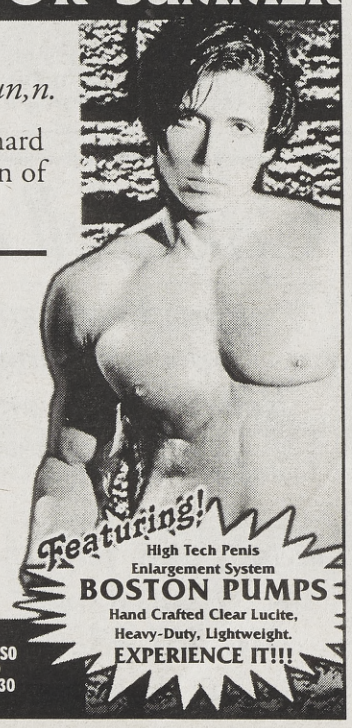

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Advisory Board on Alcohol & Drug Programs	Open Filing	1 technical member 3 public or technical
	6/7/99 to 6/18/99	1 public or technical member
Antelope Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing	2 residents of area (nom by 4th Dist.Supervisor)Area 4
Agency on Aging-Advisory Council	Open Filing Open Filing	1 seatAssessment Apeals Board 1 member seat 1 alternate member seatBoard Of
Plumbing Examiners	Open Filing	1 public member 1 non-union contractor
Building Board of Appeals	Open Filing	1 architect 1 plumbing contractor 1 residential contractor 1 general public
Carmichael Community Advisory Planning Council	Open Filing	2 residents of area (nom by 3rd dist Supervisor)
Carmichael Recreation & Park District	Open Filing	2 residents of area (noms by 3rd Dist. Supervisor)
Children's Coalition	Open Filing	1 youth member
Civil Service Commission	Open Filing	1 member (Dist. 1 nom) 1 member (Dist. 5 nom)
Consumnes Area CPAC	Open Filing	4 residents of the area (Dist. 5 norm)
County Service Area #4C	Open Filing	2 residents of area
Delta Citizens Municipal Advisory Council	Open Filing	2 members (nom by 5th District Supervisor)
Disability Advisory Committee	Open Filing	3 seat
Elk Grove Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing	3 residents of area
Fair Oaks Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing	3 residents of area (noms by 2nd & 5th Dist. Supervisor)
Franklin/Laguna Area Cmnty Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing	4 residents of area (noms by 2nd & 5th Dist. Supervisor)
Franklin/Laguna Area Cmnty Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing	5 residents of area (noms by 2nd & 5th Dist. Supervisor)
Maternal,Child &Adolescent Health Advisory Board	Open Filing adolescent	1 consmr/adolescent/parent
Mission Oaks Recreation & Parks District	Open Filing	2 residents of area
Natomas Community Planning	Open Filing	4 residents of the area (noms and Advisory Council by the Dist 1 Supervisor)
North Highlands/ Foothill Farms CPAC	Open Filing	5 residents of area(noms. by Sups. of Districts1,3&4)
Orangevale Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing	5 residents of area (noms by Dis. 4 Supervisor)
Paratransit, Inc.	Open Filing	1 public member
Physically Handicapped Appeals Board	Open Filing	1 Construction seat
Public Health Advisory Cmte	Open Filing	1 public heath prof. 1 community member
Rio Linda / Elverta Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing	5 residents of area (noms by 1 1st Dist Supervisor)
Sacramento County Mental Health Board	Open Filing	2 public interest member
Sacramento County Treasury Oversight Committee	Open Filing	5 members (noms by Supervisors of each District)
Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Commission	Open Filing	1 seat (nom by Dist 3 Supervisor)
Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission	6/21/99 to 7/2/99	2 seats
Sacramento Sports Commission	Open Filing	2 members
South Sac Area Community Planning Council	Open Filing	7 residents of area
Southeast Area Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing	4 residents of area (noms by Dist 5 Supervisor)
Sunrise Recreation & Park Dist.	Open Filing	3 residents of area (Dist 1, 3, and 4)
Vineyard Area Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing	5 residents of area (noms by Dist 5 Supervisor)

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Legal documents workshop coming to Sacramento, Saturday, June 19, 10am-1pm. Learn what legal documents you need to protect your domestic partnership. Leave with legal, notarized documents. Presented by attorneys from the National Center for Lesbian Rights. $20-50 sliding scale per person. Participation is limited. Registration form Susan 748-4390

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Volunteer two hours of your time to the Domestic Partners Legal Documents Workshop (see ad above). The workshop won't be a success without YOU! All notaries and their partners may attend the workshop at no charge. Susan 748-4390

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Rainbow Bridge is a new non-profit coalition of gay, lesbian and straight people interested in reducing homophobia by community outreach and public speaking. They need speakers, fundraisers, telephone workers and clerical support staff. Info: Paula 967-0560, Joy 452-5513. Speaker training available. tfn

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CALENDAR

JULY

4TH Sunday

SOUNDS BURSTING IN AIR, 3-4:30pm – Free Concert, 2100 J St., 4:30-5pm, 454-6230 or 358-3751

6th Tuesday

FARMERS MARKET-COUNTRY CLUB CENTRE, 8-11:30am, El Camino & Watt, in front of Office Depot

CAPITAL CITY SQUARES gay & lesbian square dancing, contact George 929-8697

GOLDEN THREADS, 8pm, KVIE 6

July 10th - 25th at Consumnes River College

7th Wednesday

STC GENERAL AUDITIONS FOR THE 1999-2000 SEASON, Sacramento Theatre Co., 1419 H St, 446-7501 ext # 347

THE ACTORS WORKSHOP PRESENTS BEYOND THERAPY, July 7th-15th, 925-6579

FRONT RUNNERS & WALKERS, McKinley Park 6:30pm, 974-8199

SYNDICATION SUMMIT, Ft. Mason, SF, www.isyndicate.com/summit

HERBS FOR INFLAMMATORY CONDITION-Healthy Living Seminar, Sacramento Natural Food Co-op, 1900 Alhambra Blvd. (S St.), 455-2667

UNITED FOR HISTORY, A Fundraiser with Pat Montclair for the Gay and Lesbian Historical Society at Divas, 1801 Post at Polk, Wed, June 16th 8pm

SFmoma's A+D Forum Thursday July 15th

8th Thursday

BEING ALIVE LIVING ROOM, Lambda Center, 2:30pm, 920 20th St. #117, 442-0185 C.O.D.A., Lambda Center, 7:30pm, 920 20th St. #117, 442-0185

HIV Protease inhibitor support group, meets at Sacto. AIDS Foundation, 1330 21St. at 7:30-9:00pm _ Info: Call Dariel #452-4224

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS vs Cleveland Rockers, 7pm, Arco Arena, 928-3650

SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL LESBIAN AND GAY FILM FESTIVAL, June 17-27, Castro Theatre and other venues, 415/703/8650

TEE A. CORINNE, 7pm, The Open Book, 910 21st St, 498-1004

WEB ATTACK, Ft. Mason, SF, www.isyndicate.com/summit

TENDING YOUR MONEY GARDEN-Healthy Living Seminar, Sacramento Natural Food Co-op, 1900 Alhambra Blvd. (S St.), 455-2667

BOOKS BY THE BAY, Pier 32, South Beach, 415/927-3937

INC. MAGAZINEÕS 72ND ANNUAL AWARDS AND DINNER, 1400 J st, Rm#202-204, 6:30pm, Sacramento Convention Center

9th Friday

BEING GAY TODAY, 2pm, Channels 17 or 73

GAY YOUTH GROUP, 6:30pm, 1722 J St. @ Breaking Barriers, 442-0185

MARK ZUBRO, author, 7pm, Open Book, 910 21st, 498-1004

CYCLIST WEEKEND, IDA, Smithville TN, June 18-21, 615/597-4409, trayburn@dekalb.net, www.mindspring.com/~goatboy/idaland

RAINBOW CAMPERS, Casini Ranch, Duncan Mills, June 18-20, Joyce, 929-3074

PAUL SIMON/BOB DYLAN, 7:30pm, Concord Pavilion, Concord, 925/671-3100

FINEST FRESH FISH-JOHN WARD: Fresh Wild Salmon Demonstration-Promotion,

David Berkley, Sacramento, 929-4422

GAY AND LESBIAN SIERRANS-DINING OUT, 663-3560 (Barbara)

RIDING THE RAILS, The Crest Theatre, 1013 K st., Friday 7:00 and 8:30 pm

DR. AKAGI, The Crest Theatre, 1310 K st, 4:46, 7:15, and 9:30 pm

JOHN PIERSON LIVE, The Crest Theatre, 1301 K st, 7:30 pm.

10th Saturday

FRONT RUNNERS & WALKERS, East side of Guy West Bridge (by CSUS), 9am, 974-8199

FARMERS MARKET-SUNRISE MALL, 8am-12pm

BEING GAY TODAY, 6am, Channel 17 or 73

PANEL MAKERS, The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, 10-2, Pioneer Church, 484-4164

AVON RUNNING GLOBAL WOMEN'S CIRCUIT, 8am, William Land Park, 447-2786

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS vs. Utah Starzz, 6pm, Delta Center, 928-3650

D.O.T., Potluck & Video, Its In The Water, 971-9337

PACK & GO-Saturday Tasting Fair, Sacramento Natural Food Co-op, 1900 Alhambra Blvd., 455-2699

WOMEN'S WORLD CUP USA 99-First Round Doubleheader, 408/924-4086

GAY AND LESBIAN SIERRANS-MYSTERY DAY HIKE, 707/449-9370 (Barbara)

JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL, Fillmore St., 415/346-226

11th Sunday

FARMERS MARKET-CAPITOL CITY FREEWAY, 8am-12pm, 8th & W St

PFLAG ADVOCACY, Boyce Hinman of Lambda Letters speaks, 978-0410

GARDEN & YARD TOUR, 8am-2pm, 453-1918

THE WOODLAND OPERA HOUSE GUILD ÒJOY RIDEÓ, 530/666-9617

GARDEN AND YARD TOUR, 453-1918 (Eric Geiger)

GAY AND LESBIAN SIERRANS-WORKDAY AT JEPSON PRAIRIE, 530/668-0691 (Suzanna)

THE ADVENTURES OF PRISCILLA QUEEN OF THE DESERT, The Crest Theatre, 1013 K st, One Night Only, 7:30 pm

12 th Monday

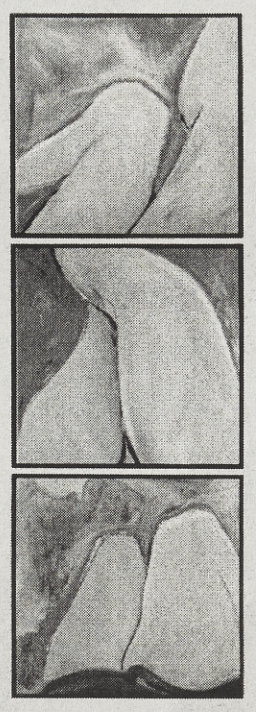
GARDEN PARTY-LESBIAN PRIDE DANCE 99, John Servalli Parkj, New York, 6-10:00pm, 212/620-7310 ext.235

FRONT RUNNERS & WALKERS, McKinley Park (by tennis courts), 6:30pm, 974-8199

MEN'S DISCUSSION SUPPORT GROUP, Lambda Center, 6pm, 920 20th St. #117, 442-0185

M.C.C. Christian Services, 7pm, Channel 17 or 73, 456-8600

YOUTH SUMMER BASKETBALL, Carmichael Recreation & Park District, through July 30th, 483-7826



Art by Sondra Hersh July 10th-30th at Excentrique Gallery 1409 R St. 446-1786

13th Tuesday

FARMERS MARKET-COUNTRY CLUB CENTRE, 8-11:30am, El Camino & Watt, in front of Office Depot

CAPITAL CITY SQUARES – gay & lesbian square dancing at Jefferson

Elementary School, 2001 Pebblewood Drive, 6:30-8:30, contact George 929-8697, capcitysqs@aol.com

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SACRAMENTO MONARCHS vs Minnesota Lynx, 7pm, Arco Arena, 928-3650

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14th Wednesday

FRONT RUNNERS & WALKERS, McKinley Park (by tennis courts), 6:30pm, 974-8199

"Once Upon A Mattress" directed by Robert Irvin, June 18th-August 1st, Fair Oaks Theatre Festival, 966-3683

15th Thursday

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CAT FANCIERS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, Hyatt Regency Sacramento, 1209 L St., From June 24-28

50th ANNUAL HIGHWAY 50 WAGON TRAIN, From June 24-27, 264-7405

50th TUOLUMNE LUMBER JUBILEE-The Carnival is in Town!, Tuolumne, CA, 1-800-266-6436, jubilee@lodelink.com

FLAGS NITE OUT, June 24th, 6:30 pm, at the Roundtable/Gottschalk Shopping Center in Auburn.

16th Friday

BEING GAY TODAY, 2pm, Channels 17 or 73

GAY YOUTH GROUP, 6:30pm, 1722 J St. @ Breaking Barriers, 442-0185

HONORS NIGHT III, Rainbow Community Center, Round Hill Country Club, Alamo, 6pm, Kevin Johnson, 925/691-1152

LITERARY/SOCIAL GROUP, 451-7191

50th TUOLUMNE LUMBER JUBILEE-Carnival & Queen Coronation, Tuolumne, CA, 1-800-266-6436, jubilee@lodelink.com

ESPN X GAMES, Piers & 32, 392-9830 (Chris Stiepock)

GAY AND LESBIAN SIERRANS-BACKPACKING AT PT. REYES, 736-9333 (Laura)

STOP MAKING SENSE, The Crest Theatre, 1310 k St, 7:30 and 9:15 pm

17th Saturday

FRONT RUNNERS & WALKERS, East side of Guy West Bridge (by CSUS), 9am, 974-8199

FARMERS MARKET-SUNRISE MALL, 8am-12pm, behind Sears

BEING GAY TODAY, 6am, Channel 17 or 73

LAVENDER CIRCLE – Lesbian Discussion Group in Redding, 530-243-3891

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS vs Los Angeles Sparks, 7pm, Arco Arena

SACRAMENTO AIDS FOUNDATION, ÒSome Enchanted EveningÓ, Sacramento

Capitol Club, Georgia Mering, 448-2437x228

SCORN WOMAN SALSA & MUSTARD & HOT SAUCE: Demonstration-Promotion, Oakhill Farms, Atlanta, Georgia, 916/929-4422

CARRIBBEAN SLOT TOURNAMENT, Casino Marketing Department, 800-950-2946

50th TUOLUMNE LUMBER JUBILEE-From Lumber Jack Breakfast to Arm

Wrestling, Tuolumne, CA, 1-800-266-6436, jubilee@lodelink.com

GAY AND LESBIAN SIERRANS-DAY HIKE, 530/668-0691 (Suzanne)

"SOME ENCHANTED EVENING", 448-2437, ext.228 (Georgia Mering)

AMADOR COUNTY WINE FESTIVAL, Amador County Fairgrounds, Plymouth, California 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

SAN FRANCISCO LESBIAN/GAY/BISEXUAL/TRANSGENDER PRIDE CELEBRATION PARADE, Castro District, 415-864-free

18th Sunday

FARMERS MARKET-CAPITOL CITY FREEWAY, 8am-12pm, 8th & W St., under Capitol City Freeway

Trisha Todd will read from her new book, "The Drive" at Lioness Books July 20th. 442-4657

WATERCRAFT POKER RUN ROTARY CLUB OF LAKEPORT, Edgewater Resort, Clear Lake, 800/396-6224

VOLLEYBALL FESTIVAL, Convention Center, 1400 J St., and Cal Expo, 1600 Exposition Boulv., From June 27-July 3

THE ANNUAL BETH SHALOM JEWISH FOOD FAIRE AND CRAFT SALE, 4746 El Camino Ave., Carmichael, 8:00am-4:00pm, 485-4478

50th TUOLUMNE LUMBER JUBILEE-From Craft Faire to Working Truck Show, Tuolumne, CA, 1-800-266-6436

FOODSERVICE SANITATION CLASS, Cosumnes River College, 8am-5pm, 688-7415

19th Monday

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M.C.C. Christian Services, 7pm, Channel 17 or 73, 456-8600

20th Tuesday

FARMERS MARKET-COUNTRY CLUB CENTRE, 8-11:30am, El Camino & Watt, in front of Office Depot

CAPITAL CITY SQUARES – gay & lesbian square dancing at Jefferson Elementary School, 2001 Pebblewood Drive, 6:30-8:30, contact George 929-8697, capcitysqs@aol.com

M.C.C. Christian Services, 11am, Channel 17 or 73, 456-8600

SACRAMENTO MONARCHS vs Minnesota Lynx, 5pm, Target Center.928-3650

SIZZLIN' SUMMER SOCIAL, Green Room & Courtyard, Sierra 2 Center, 2791 24th St., Sacramento, 455-2667

21st Wednesday

ARTS FOR AIDS-Auction III, Somar Gallery, 9th St SF, Reception, Viewing, & Silent Auction: 5-7:00pm, Live Auction: 7-9:00pm

FRONT RUNNERS & WALKERS, McKinley Park (by tennis courts), 6:30pm, 974-8199

SUPER SUMMER SALADS, Sacramento Natural Foods Co-op, 1900 Alhambra Blvd. (S St.), 455-2667

WOMEN'S WORLD CUP USA 99-Quarterfinal Doubleheader, 408/924-4086

EVENTS MASTER CALENDAR

SAF SAC Light Opera Presents the SAC Music Circus	July 24
Santa Barbara Pride Celebration	July 10
S.F. Pride Parade	July 10
Riverside Pride Celebration	July 17
San Diego G/L Pride Celebration	July 23-25
Reno Pride Celebration	August 21
SAC LG Boat Parade	August
Sierra Stampede, 451-9439	August 20-22
SAF The Grand Gatsby, 448-2437x228	August 21
SAC Gay Pride Boat Parade	August 28
Chico Freedom Festival, 893-3336	August 29
Sac Rainbow Festival Street Fair	September 5
S.F. Folsom Street Fair, 415-861-3247	September 26
SAF-Capitol AIDS Walk, 448-2437 Ext 228	September 12
Honoring Our Heroes, www.iapac.org	September 27, 1999
S.F. Castro Street Fair, 415-467-3354	October 3
Coming Out Day	October 11
Sacramento Intl. Film Festival, 558-6598	October 1-11
Breast Cancer Awareness Month	October
Boo Bash Halloween Party	October 29
MGW Newspaper 21st Anniversary Celebration:	November
Harvey Milk & George MosconeÕs Lives	November 27
SAC Domestic Partners Law Anniversary 1992	November 16
World AIDS Day	December 1
SAF The Winter Concert w/Judy Collins	December 5
SAF Let The Miracles Begin	December 5
Capital City AIDS Dance-O-Rama, 448-AIDS	
Election Day	March 7, 2000

THEATRE/DANCE

STC GENERAL AUDITIONS FOR THE 1999-2000 SEASON, Sacramento Theatre Co., 1419 H St, 446-7501 ext # 347

THE ACTORS WORKSHOP PRESENTS BEYOND THERAPY, July 7th thru August 15th, Tickets $10.00 - $12.00, 925-6579

EAGLE THEATRE, Nunsense, Jun 25-Jul 31; 925 Front St., Old Sac, 207-1226

MONTCLAIR WOMEN'S CULTURAL ARTS CLUB, Alix Dobkin & Copper Wimmin, Jul 17, 7:30pm; 1650 Mountain Blvd., Oakland, 510-339-1832

RIVER STAGE, Waiting For Summer, Jul 10; 8401 Center Parkway, 688-7364

AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE AND FAIROAKS THEATRE FESTIVAL PRESENTS: Once Upon a Mattress, for more Information call 916-966-3683 or 916-484-8234

ART GALLERIES

FINE ARTS MUSEUMS of SAN FRANCISCO, The Art of Craft: Contemporary Works from the Saxe Collection, June 26-October; de Young Museum, Golden Gate Park, S.F.

SF MUSEUM OF MODERN ART, The Elise S. Haas Collection: Matisse and Other Modern Masters, thru Jul 5; Daido Moriyama, stray dog, May 14-Aug 3;151 3rd St., SF, 415-357-4170

CA. PALACE OF THE LEGION OF HONOR, Francis Bacon Retrospective, June 13-August; The Art of Craft: Contemporary Works from the Saxe Collection, June 26th - October 1999, Masterworks of Theatre and Dance from Permanent Collection: A Tribute to Nancy Van Norman Baer, May 1st - September 1999, Class

Oldenburg Prints and Multiples, June 5th - September 1999, The Grand Design: Francis Bacon Retrospective, June 13-August; 34th Ave. & Clement St., SF, 415-863-3330

MICHAEL HIMOVITZ GALLERY, Anne Gregory, watercolors, Kate Monson, paintings, Galelyn Williams, assemblage, May 20-July 3, reception June 12, 1616 Del Paso Blvd., Ste 3, 929-7896

GALLERY 8, Handmadfe Cameras, Pinhole Art, June 12th - July 3rd, Thursday - Friday 1 pm - 6 pm, Saturday 11 am - 2 pm By Appointment, 2906 Franklin Blvd, 916-456-4278

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